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Dear Requester:

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If you want the references, you must submit a separate request for them in writing, and they will be reviewed at a later date, as time and resources permit.

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Sincerely yours,



David M. Hardy
Section Chief
Record/Information
Dissemination Section
Records Management Division

✓ Enclosure(s)

Only those documents pertaining to the subjects of your request Bryant W. Bowles and Peter L. Xavier were processed and released.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM : SAC, ST. LOUIS (105-394) *JAT*

SUBJECT: ① NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE
ADVANCEMENT OF WHITE PEOPLE
aka, United American Association
INTERNAL SECURITY - X

DATE: 8-25-52

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[redacted] of known reliability, who is a member of the Citizens Protective Association at St. Louis, Missouri, has furnished the following information concerning the above captioned organization.

It should be noted that the Citizens Protective Association is an organization which was formed in St. Louis by JOHN W. HAMILTON, who was formerly affiliated with the Christian Nationalist Party. The main purpose of the Citizens Protective Association, whose activities have been local in nature, is the advancement of the white race and it is strongly anti-Negro.

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cc: SL 100-10834, CPA

SL 66-1935A

SL 105-283, Peter Xavier

5 - Atlanta

[redacted] (1 National Patrick Henry Organization)

→ (1 Jessie W. Jenkins

(1 Liberty Party)

(1 Christian Civic League of America)

1 - Boston

2 - Cincinnati

(1 Peter Xavier)

(1 National Security League)

4 - Chicago

(1 Jos. Beauharnais)

(1 White Circle League)

[redacted] (1 The White American Party)

1 - Detroit

1 - Kansas City

2 - Los Angeles

(1 Liberty Party)

1 - Miami

1 - Minneapolis

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APPROPRIATE AGENCIES

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: August 29, 1952

FROM : SAC, St. Louis (105-3941)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE
ADVANCEMENT OF WHITE PEOPLE, aka
Allied American Association
INTERNAL SECURITY - XCONFIDENTIAL
REGISTERED MAIL
AIR MAIL SPECIAL DELIVERY

Re St. Louis tel to Director dated 8-22-52 and 8-28-52, captioned
St. Louis let to Atlanta dated 8-22-52, St. Louis let to Miami dated
8-26-52 and St. Louis tel to Mobile dated 8-28-52, all captioned NAAWP, IS-X.

[redacted] of known reliability, was originally invited by JOHN W.
HAMILTON, Chairman of the CPA, a strongly anti-negro organization at St. Louis
to attend an "Action Conference" [redacted]

[redacted] According to informant, HAMILTON learned of this meeting upon receipt
of a letter from PETER L. XAVIER of Dayton, Ohio, which letter was read by [redacted]

[redacted] XAVIER's letter stated that the Atlanta Conference was going to be
attended by a select few of the leaders of various organizations who had attended
the founding convention of captioned organization at Chicago, Illinois in July
1952. XAVIER stated that the purpose of the conference was to meet with [redacted]

[redacted] of the Florida KKK. [redacted]

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[redacted] was advised by HAMILTON that he had
received a telephone call from PETER XAVIER of Dayton, Ohio, who had in turn
received a phone call from [redacted] in Florida. XAVIER advised HAMILTON
that the conference had been shifted from Atlanta to Tallahassee, Florida because
several of the people who were going to attend from the north were not b7D
attend. XAVIER advised that he did not believe that he would be able to attend
and that in addition, JOSEPH BEAUHARNAIS, leader of the White Circle League,
Chicago, Illinois, would not be able to attend as planned. XAVIER advised
HAMILTON that several others from the north, who he did not identify, would
not be able to attend and that since most of those still going to attend were
from the southern states, the site had been moved to Tallahassee.

[redacted] advised this morning that according to HAMILTON, he and the
informant will be accompanied to Tallahassee by [redacted]

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The evening session on July 4, 1952 was addressed by PETER L. XAVIER of Dayton, Ohio who acted as co-chairman of the convention. He spoke about the United Nations during which he vigorously attacked the U.N. and stated that, in his opinion, the U.N. is unconstitutional. XAVIER stated that he had been discharged from the Army because he stood in front of the U.N. Building in New York City, threw the U.N. flag on the ground and called the President a traitor. He claimed that one day he would be reinstated in the Army and at this time he would fight for his Army pay since the time of his discharge.

Another speaker was CONDE MCGINLEY, editor of the newspaper "Common Sense" which is published twice monthly at Union, New Jersey. He strongly attacked the Jewish race, stating that all of our troubles are rooted in the Jews because they are the ones behind the Russians. He stated that he is now devoting his full time to the publishing of "Common Sense," which has reached nation wide circulation. MCGINLEY described several attempts which have been made on his life and on the lives of his employees. He stated that these attacks, as well as other attacks against his printing plant, were made by "Communist Jews" who sought to stop the publication of "Common Sense."

At the first session on July 5, 1952, which convened at 11:00 a.m., PETER XAVIER acted as chairman. The session opened with GEORGE D. HIGGINS of Los Angeles leading in the pledge of allegiance to the flag, which was followed by prayers lead by JOHN W. HAMILTON of St. Louis. The first speaker was a Miss WALKER from the State of Iowa, who was one of three sisters present at the convention. She talked against the Farm Bureau and stated that the Farm Bureau was taking the farmers away from God. She stated that the Government was making the farmer lazy by letting him plant only certain crops and that this was ruining the farms as well as the farmer.

The next speaker was C. DANIEL KURTZ of New York City, who presented another attack against the Jewish people. According to the informant, KURTZ did little more than repeat his remarks of the previous day.

The next speaker was JOHN W. HAMILTON from the Citizens Protective Association, St. Louis, Missouri. He attacked the

Director, FBI

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According to the informant, [] explained a method which has been utilized by the Klan in administering a beating to a designated individual. He said the procedure was to have the man approached while walking on the street by a Klansman in plain clothes who would be carrying a cain and a switch blade knife. He said the Klansman would then start beating the man with his cain at which time he would also drop the switch blade knife to the ground. [] stated that at the time of the attack it is necessary to have five or six Klansmen standing around the vicinity to observe the incident. He said the attacker then claims that the beaten man attempted to attack him with the knife and that he used the cain in self defense. At this time the other Klansmen who are acting as witnesses come forward and verify the statement of the first Klansman to the effect that the beaten man had attacked the Klansman with the knife. He stated that in this situation none of the Klansmen involved are identified as such. b7C

[] stated that at one time during their visit [] put on his full Klan uniform and showed them a large emblem which was sown on over the chest. He stated that this was a decoration which was bestowed only on Klansmen who had been shot at.

[] stated that PETER XAVIER from Dayton, Ohio, had been to visit him several months ago. From ensuing conversations it was the informant's impression that XAVIER is to formulate plans for the formation of a Klan in Dayton, Ohio, although this was not specifically stated. HENDRIX did mention that he took XAVIER to a Klan meeting and that XAVIER seemed to be fairly well impressed with the affair.

Mention was made of the meeting which took place in Chicago, Illinois, in July, 1952 for the purpose of establishing the organization to be known as the National Association for the Advancement of White People to be composed of various anti-Negro organizations. [] stated that he had been invited to attend this meeting but had not done so because it was his impression that most of the people from these other anti-Negro groups do a lot of talking but are not taking part in any real activity. He said that for this reason he did not want to become affiliated with the National Association for the Advancement of White People. He stated that he wanted to devote all of his attention to

Nationalist Convention Committee
919 North Milwaukee Avenue
Chicago 22, Illinois
Telephone Everglade 4-3370
JOSEPH BEAUHARNAIS, Chairman
PETER L. XAVIER, Co-Chairman.

The letter announced a three day Nationalist Convention to be held July ~~4, 5, 6, 1952~~, from 10:00 AM to 9:00 AM at Como Inn Hall, 546 North Milwaukee Avenue, Chicago.

✓ The letter listed the following speakers:

✓ MYRON C. FAGAN, author of
"Treason in Hollywood"

✓ PETER L. XAVIER, author of
"Rise America"

✓ BILL HENDRIX, recent candidate
for governor of Florida

✓ JOHN HAMILTON, outstanding national
crusader to maintain white social
integrity in America

✓ GEORGE SUDBECK, learned authority
on the money question.

The following was stated in the letter as the purpose of the convention:

"No one knows better than us that this is the crucial year in the history of the United States. We must rescue our country from the twin monster of Internationalism and Communism.

"The purpose of this Nationalist Convention is to create an atmosphere of Americanism in which the Republican and Democratic conventions (immediately following our convention) will have a chance to adopt American planks and American candidates for the 1952 election campaigns. Also, steps will be taken to contact key personalities for known American qualities in the

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and printed matter to cover a single mailing to our membership. This money must come from our members. We must be self-supporting in order to cope with our strong opposition. This is elementary, and should be readily understood and accepted by us all. I have sacrificed thousands of dollars to keep up this fight. I have nothing material to gain by facing the pressures and dangers involved in this enterprise. I shall probably meet my fate and find martyrdom in this enterprise, and by the very thing I created as a service and a shield of protection for my white fellow man, but I care not what happens to me. I KNOW THAT I AM RIGHT, AND I HAVE COMPLETELY FORGOTTEN SELF IN MY DETERMINATION TO SET UP A STRONG, OPERATING, SUCCESSFUL ORGANIZATION THAT CAN BE DEPENDED UPON TO JEALOUSLY GUARD THE INTERESTS AND THE WELFARE OF THE WHITE RACE.

"Now! fellow White Americans!.....

"The Supremo Court has spoken! We know where we stand--Half of America stands behind us; the other half is misinformed and uninformed. Our job is to educate them to understand the dangerous threat of mongrelization. Let us refuse to be softened up by all this Christian and Jew phoney brotherhood and democracy bunk and stand pat for white decency. This false propaganda is the opening wedge to mongrelize us. The GREEN LIGHT is set -- Let's go! Let our slogan be 'GO! GO! for a white America.'

"Come to our 3-day Convention -- Contribute to our cause -- Help build a solid financial structure under our movement.

"Yours for white racial decency

"JOSEPH BEAUHARNAIS"

Report of Nationalist
Committee Convention

On August 5, 1952 of known reliability, furnished the following information concerning the Nationalist Convention held at Como Inn in Chicago July 4-6, 1952:

JOSEPH BEAUHARNAIS was chairman of the convention and PETER XLVIER acted as co-chairman.

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KAY TURPIN registered all delegates.

Each person attending the convention paid an admittance fee of five dollars and all attending were given tags on which they wrote their names.

The Como Inn, 546 North Milwaukee Avenue, donated the use of their premises without charge.

Session of July 4

Attendance at the session of July 4 totaled sixteen persons, most of them from out of town. BEAUHARNAIS was perturbed by the small attendance.

PETER XAVIER

PETER XAVIER, Dayton, Ohio, spoke against the UN and international bankers. He distributed a leaflet with excerpts from the "Dayton Independent." The back of the leaflet urged readers to join the New York anti-Communist League, Post Office Box 37, St. Albans, New York.

MARTHA C. HUBBARD

✓ MARTHA C. HUBBARD, Chicago, representing Mothers of America, spoke in favor of the Kollogg-Briand Pact. All sorts of placards were hung about the room denouncing the UN, Communism, and international bankers.

BEAUHARNAIS read a telegram sent to him by Senator HERBERT O'CONNOR of Maryland. The telegram expressed greetings to the convention and wished the group success.

MRS. DELLA VINCENTI

Mrs. DELLA VINCENTI, Baltimore, Maryland, attacked ANNA ROSENBERG and blamed her for the removal of crosses from soldiers' graves. In connection with Mrs. VINCENTI's talk, a reproduction of the Congressional Record of Congressman LINE's speech commending ANNA ROSENBERG was distributed,

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together with a slip from the Keep America Committee of Los Angeles, California, which ridiculed Congressman LANE's speech.

✓ AUSTIN HANCOCK

AUSTIN HANCOCK, San Antonio, Texas, representing the American Heritage Protection Committee was next. He spoke derisively of ANNA ROSENBERG and the UN. At this point, BELUHARNAIS discussed the book "The Troublemakers," a book against hate organizations, written by BENJAMIN R. EPSTEIN, National Director of the Anti-Defamation League, and ARNOLD FORSTER. He said the cost of the book to "white Christians" was \$3.50, but to members of B'nai B'rith the cost was only \$2.00, therefore, showing discrimination on the part of the Jews against the Christians. He suggested that those at the meeting read the book and that he could obtain it from a friend of his for \$2.00.

MRS. EDWARD C. ALUMBAUGH

✓ Mrs. EDWARD C. ALUMBAUGH of Macon, Georgia, representing the ✓ Christian Civic League of America, spoke next. She is a fanatic on the money reform and constantly waves the American flag in her speeches. Her talk was mainly concerned with money reforms.

Letter From AIKEN

G. SEALS AIKEN sent XAVIER a letter wishing the convention success and expressed regret that he was unable to attend, as he was tied up in a federal court case.

A leaflet issued by the National Patrick Henry Organization of Columbus, Georgia was passed out promoting the presidency of MAC ARTHUR with AIKEN as vice-president.

✓ D. DANIEL KURTZ

D. DANIEL KURTZ, New York City, of the ✓ New York Anti-Communist League, spoke of his experience with Negroes and Jews. He spoke of helping to organize a riot in Harlem where Negroes attacked Jewish merchants. He said he told the Negroes that

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Anti-Defamation League and said it should be investigated by the FBI.

MC GINLAY said JOHN EDGAR HOOVER of the FBI has all the facts in the case and will be asked to take action against the Anti-Defamation League.

✓ GEORGE SUDBECK

✓ GEORGE SUDBECK, 1535 East 61st Street, Chicago, discussed taxes and spoke out vehemently against the UN, international bankers, Negroes and Jews.

RICHARD HAMEL

Also present at this session was RICHARD HAMEL, who was elated because he was mentioned in the book "The Troublemakers." He said he hitchhiked to Chicago from the South and was picked up for vagrancy in one of Chicago's parks and was held in custody three days before he was released.

Files of the Records and Communications Section, Chicago Police Department, checked on August 21, 1952 by SE HUGH M. BARNHARDT, reflect that RICHARD HAMEL, no address given, was arrested on June 27, 1952, for loitering. He was discharged on June 29, 1952 when he appeared before Judge LUZAS. The only information listed at the Chicago Police Department was that he was born on September 21, 1923 at Boston, Massachusetts, was 5'6" in height, 138 pounds, white, blue eyes, brown hair, and his occupation was listed as laborer.

Session of July 5

Only about [] people were present during the early part of the day for July 5 session of the convention. Among these were

[] XAVIER, []

[] were accompanied by an elderly woman and an elderly man with a beard, whose name is []

JANE WACKER

JANE WACKER spoke on the Farm Program denouncing the Farm Bureau

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ADMINISTRATIVE DATA

information concerning a possible tie-up between the White Circle League of America and the Ku Klux Klan, and because of the possibility the Savannah security informants may furnish information of interest to this case at a later date.

LEADS

Designated divisions will search indices and submit in report form all pertinent information contained therein concerning persons and organizations listed under each particular division. Leads set out by report rather than letter because information in this report is of interest to lead offices.

✓ THE ATLANTA DIVISION

— Christian Civic League of America, Macon, Ga.
National Patrick Henry Organization, Columbus, Ga.

[REDACTED]
The Liberty Party, Columbus, Ga.

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THE BALTIMORE DIVISION

THE CINCINNATI DIVISION

National Security League, Dayton, Ohio
PETER XAVIER, Dayton, Ohio
The Dayton Independent, Dayton, Ohio
J. D. LANDIS, Brookville, Ohio

THE DETROIT DIVISION

National Service Bureau, Farmington, Michigan

THE LOS ANGELES DIVISION

Keep America Committee, Los Angeles, Calif.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (RM)

DATE: 11-1-52

FROM: CWH/SAC, CINCINNATI (105-399)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF WHITE PEOPLE
INTERNAL SECURITY - X

Relets St. Louis to Bureau 8-25-52 and 9-6-52.

[redacted] who requested that their names be kept strictly confidential, advised that PETER L. XAVIER has lived [redacted] for about two years. They said that [redacted] owns and operates the [redacted], which prints a newspaper and does job printing. They said that the newspaper prints articles which are always criticizing taxes or government policies, and that XAVIER [redacted]. They advised that [redacted], her husband having died about five years ago.

They further advised that XAVIER has been connected with and interested in an organization known as the National Security League, which was against the United Nations and was unpopular in Dayton. [redacted] said that she can sometimes overhear talk [redacted] and that a few weeks ago she heard XAVIER make a remark that "we're going to get tough and let people know who we are".

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They said that there is another man named [redacted] said that about May, 1952, he made some remarks which indicated to her that he was intolerant of Negroes. She said that she has not heard anyone [redacted] promote any organization, but has heard them mention the Citizen's Protective Association, which is against the United Nations. She recalled that a man recently visited next door who was very old and had a full beard.

[redacted] advised that Mrs. GRACE SILVEY, who is between fifty and sixty years of age, has lived [redacted] for about twenty years. He said that [redacted] has two roomers, one named MACK PYLE, age about fifty, and the other man, whose name he does not know, who is younger and has a heavy build. He said that he never has known any of the persons next door to promote any organizations or talk against our government, but that the short man, about a year ago, asked him to sign a petition "to get our boys back from Korea". [redacted] said he did not

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CC: St. Louis (105-394) (RM)
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know who was the sponsor of this petition, but understood it was the short man himself. PETER XAVIER has been described as 5' 4" tall, 165 pounds, and of heavy build. He said that PYLE once told him that he worked at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base.

[redacted] advised that [redacted] of the Independent Press at 16 South Patterson Boulevard, does mostly job printing, and does most of the work at her establishment herself. She said that [redacted] is a widow, is rather "peculiar" and is very "old fashioned" in her appearance and dress.

Mr. FRANK DAVIS, Chief of Police, Brookville, Ohio, advised that Mr. JESSE D. LANDIS is a Junk Dealer and lives on Wolf Creek Pike in Brookville. He said that LANDIS has no record at the Police Department, but that he has known LANDIS about eight years and that LANDIS is an "agitator", in that he talks against taxes and city improvements. He said that he also heard that LANDIS belonged to some "screwball" organization in Dayton, probably the National Security League, which got some newspaper publicity in connection with the United Nations a year or two ago. He described LANDIS as about seventy years old, male, white, 6' tall, 170 pounds, white hair, full beard, single, and poorly dressed.

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[redacted] advised that records reflect that PETER L. XAVIER, 335 Linwood Street, Dayton, Ohio, has been registered since February 14, 1952;

Mr. JESSE D. LANDIS, Wolfcreek Pike, Brookville, Ohio since October 5, 1944; and [redacted]

[redacted], Credit Bureau of Dayton, Incorporated, advised that files of her office reflect no credit record for PETER L. XAVIER, JESSE D. LANDIS or [redacted]. Records reflect that MACK PYLE has been known to her office since March, 1932. Records show he was born February 28, 1897 at Savage, Kentucky, and presently resides at 335 Linwood Street, Dayton, Ohio. He was shown as employed at Frigidaire Division of GMC, Dayton, Ohio in 1938 and 1941; at Wright-Patterson Air Force in 1943, and after that, at Vandalia Airport.

The following investigation was conducted by SA [REDACTED]

AT MATTOON, ILLINOIS

Confidential Informant [REDACTED] of unknown reliability, advised that the leaflet entitled "The American Legion, Americanism Committee, For God and Country" which was stated to have been prepared and distributed by the Americanism Committee of the American Legion, post office box 509, Mattoon, Illinois, was actually printed at the expense of and distributed by FRED B. PLEASANT, a member of the Americanism Committee of the Legion at Mattoon, Illinois. The informant stated that he was absolutely positive that this pamphlet attacking Communism was not distributed at the convention of the National Association for the Advancement of White People which was held on July 4, 5, and 6, 1952 at Chicago, Illinois.

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[REDACTED] advised that he was in attendance at this convention and the pamphlet had, in the past, been mailed to a number of different individuals and it was entirely possible that a few copies of it may have been given out by an individual; however, he was unable to furnish the identity of any person.

[REDACTED] advised that he was very well acquainted with JOSEPH BEAUHARNAIS, who was chairman of the convention, and also PETER L. XAVIER, of Dayton, Ohio, the co-chairman. [REDACTED] was also acquainted with JOHN W. HAMILTON, of St. Louis, who was active in the meeting, and the informant described these individuals as "rabble rousers and hate mongers."

The informant was not in a position to furnish any information which would be in addition to that already known.

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ALEXANDER - FROUGOLA BUILDING
112 NORTH PEARMAN AVENUE
PHONE: 475 - 476

Hon. J. Edgar Hoover, Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Quite a number of people locally have received letters from Mr. D. W. Bowles, President of the National Association for the Advancement of White People, 1346 Connecticut Avenue, N.W., Washington 6, D. C. This organization, it appears, wants to enlist members who are asked to send in \$2.00 for their first year's dues. I have advised a number of friends that this thing might be a mere racket or for all we know might be inspired by communists, and that I would not send them anything.

If you are at liberty to do so, and could tell me something about this organization, it would be appreciated. It seems to me that it would be a sad day in this country when every racial ~~group~~ will assert itself through an organization along racial lines.

Thanking you, I am,

Yours very sincerely,

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NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR ADVANCEMENT
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We invite expressions of opinions from anyone to our office, Room 1007, Dupont Circle Building, 1346 Connecticut Avenue, Washington 6, D. C.

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR ADVANCEMENT
OF WHITE PEOPLE, INC.

B. W. BOWLES, *President.*

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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Digest of newspaper articles and literature published by subject organization reflects that it is a non-profit corporation incorporated under the laws of the State of Delaware. National offices are maintained in 1319 F Street, N. W. Newspaper articles reflect that subject organization had 3,000 members as of January, 1954, and that membership has increased since that time. ERYAUNT W. BOWLES, President, has delivered two speeches over Station WPIK, Alexandria, Virginia, setting forth his ideas against racial integration and attacking recent Supreme Court decision. In some literature published by the organization its purposes are set forth as being opposed to Communism and all "left-wing" elements. Literature of organization sets forth that the purpose of the organization is to "seek to advance the white people by insuring their rights, in law, to associate with those of their own kind if they so desire, either publicly or privately in any or all of the multitude of life's activities."

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DETAILS: AT WASHINGTON, D. C.

A. ORIGIN, SOURCE AND GENERAL ACTIVITIES OF THE ORGANIZATION

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profit corporated organization legally constituted under the corporation laws of the State of Delaware which maintains Executive Offices at 1319 F Street, N. W., Washington, D. C.

The Washington Evening Star, local newspaper, on February 18, 1954, in an article entitled "White People Need Advancing Says NAAWP" sets forth information that the corporation received its charter December 14 in the State of Delaware. This article reports an interview with BRYANT W. BOWLES in which he did not state what the actual membership of the corporation is at the present time but that he would announce it when it reached 50,000 members. The article related that BOWLES did comment that membership had been doubled since January, 1954, when its membership was 3,000.

Concerning branches of the organization, the newspaper article sets out that BOWLES stated that Memphis would be chapter headquarters for the Midsouth Area including Tennessee, Mississippi, Oklahoma, Louisiana and Arkansas. BOWLES claimed that branch offices are to be opened up and that Chicago would perhaps be next.

Confidential Informant [] of known reliability, advised on June 21, 1954, that the activities, to date, of the organization have been to attempt to build up membership by means of mail solicitations. The informant advised that a publication is contemplated by the corporation called the "National Forum" but that it is being held up by the slowness of subscriptions. Informant advised that as soon as subscriptions are forthcoming the publication will be printed giving the "white" point of view on current events, principally dealing with racial integration. Informant also advised that two talks have been given by the President, BRYANT W. BOWLES, on radio station WPIK in Alexandria, Virginia, on June 6 and 13. Informant advised that another talk had been planned for June 20 but that difficulties had arisen with the radio station due to the radio station's fear of libel suits.

B. OFFICERS

The article appearing in the Washington Evening Star on February 18, 1954, sets forth that the officers of the corporation are as follows:

President - BRYANT W. BOWLES
First Vice President - BENJAMIN P. ROBERTSON
Treasurer - PAUL S. ROBERTSON
Office Manager - JOHN C. MILLER
Secretary (temporary) - Mrs. BRYANT W. BOWLES

It is to be noted that in literature of the organization one E. L. WILLIFORD is listed as the secretary.

BRYANT W. BOWLES

The Marine Corps records, Navy Annex, Arlington, Virginia, were reviewed concerning BOWLES and they reflect the following background information. He was born on March 4, 1920, at Alfred, Florida. His mother is NELLIE V. BOWLES and his father BRYANT W. BOWLES, Senior, both of whom reside in Florida. BOWLES enlisted in the Marine Corps as a Private on October 23, 1939, and was honorably discharged on November 14, 1945, as a Corporal having served overseas in Puerto Rico. He re-enlisted in the Marines on October 11, 1950, and was released from active duty on December 11, 1951. His file indicated that he married PRUDENCE WOODWARD MC NALLY on September 26, 1942, at San Turce, Puerto Rico, and was divorced from her on December 17, 1947, by the Circuit Court of the 13th Judicial District, Hillsborough County, Florida. No date is reflected for his second marriage to a LOIS WILLIFORD BOWLES, but his file reflected that he was married to her as of October 11, 1950. BOWLES has two children BEVERLY ANN born October 11, 1945, and BRYANT WILLIAM BOWLES, III, born October 23, 1946.

The file on BOWLES indicates that he was absent without leave from June 6, 1940, to June 11, 1940, for which he received confinement for 10 days and was fined \$7 a month for two months. The file also indicates that on November 1, 1951, BOWLES, then a patient at the Rodriguez Army Hospital, Puerto Rico, wrote a check for \$50 on the Columbia Bank of Ybor City, Tampa, Florida, which was returned marked "no account."

According to this file, BOWLES is still indebted to the Marine Corps for overpayment in the amount of \$917.80. All attempts to collect this overpayment have been fruitless.

BENJAMIN P. ROBERTSON

The Star Newspaper article of February 18, 1954, sets forth that ROBERTSON was 38 years of age and resided at Mount Rainier, Maryland. He was originally a native of Atlanta, Georgia, who attended the University of Maryland. The article states that he is a former Army Sergeant who suffered a wound from a buzz bomb in World War II.

PAUL S. ROBERTSON

Star Newspaper article of February 18, 1954, sets forth information that PAUL S. ROBERTSON is 35, resides at Hyattsville, Maryland. He is credited in the article as having piloted a B 17 in the Air Force during the war. The article claims that he is a former automobile salesman.

JOHN C. MILLER

The above newspaper article sets forth that MILLER was in the Navy for four years, two of which were spent in Korea. The article also states that he too attended the University of Maryland.

The Star Newspaper article sets forth that the ultimate goal of the organization is 15 directors. At present the board is made up of the following:

Captain G. E. TACEY, Washington, D. C. Fire Department
Mrs. FRANCES C. ROBERTSON
A former Secret Service man whose name is not given.

The article relates that the officers' salaries are fixed as follows:

President, \$1,800 per annum
Vice President, \$1,700 per annum
Secretary, \$3,600 per annum
Treasurer, \$1 per annum

According to the article, no salaries have been paid up to this time.

C. STATED AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

Confidential Informant T-1 on May 24, furnished two brochures from the captioned organization entitled "Aims Purposes of National Association of Advancement for White People Inc." and "Why" also published by the corporation.

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☐ also furnished a subscription for membership blank from the above organization which contains the following as a prerequisite for joining the organization. "I am white, above the age of 21 and a citizen of the United States. I have never, nor do I intend, to ever become a member of any organization that advocates the overthrow of the government of the United States of America."

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"It is understood and agreed that after becoming a member of this organization I reserve the right to vote as I please, worship as I please or do as I please as long as I feel that it is rightful, but I do believe in segregation with appropriate facilities for people of any color."

D. ACTION TAKEN TO IMPLEMENT PROGRAM OF NAAWP

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PUBLIC UTTERANCES

[redacted] Station WPIK, Alexandria, Virginia, made available to the writer the transcripts of two radio addresses which BOWLES gave on June 6, and June 13, 1954. [redacted] stated that in giving these two transcripts he hoped it was understood that the station was in no way responsible for BOWLES material and that the station is always open for public discussions on either side of the fence concerning the question of segregation.

In his speech on June 6, 1954, BOWLES related that the purpose of his organization was to "re-establish the rightful status of citizens of America whose design for living teeters on the brink of disaster, the white citizens having been placed in this precarious position by the pressure asserted on each hand by those who insisted on exploiting the Negro race." During this speech BOWLES mentioned the recent United States Supreme Court Ruling that "separate but equal schools are unconstitutional." BOWLES claimed "that the only thing unconstitutional about it is the fact that one race has had to pay the taxes all these years to support the schools for both races." BOWLES devoted most of this first program to attacking the recent Supreme Court decision.

On June 13, 1954, BOWLES gave a public address in which he stressed the following points. He mentioned the living standard of Negroes in the United States and pointed out that "if the Negroes in this country have a lower standard of living than the white people it is because he chooses to have a shiny automobile in preference to a decent home." BOWLES also mentioned organization charities and how the Negroes have benefited by charities supported by white people which unknown to these white people support integration. BOWLES also pointed out that the Red Cross does not label its blood in its blood bank and that he would rather die than have negro blood given to him. Also BOWLES criticized the Supreme Court as being composed of politicians and not judges. BOWLES also stated that although he was not going into statistics on crime, his audience would know who committed the majority of crime involving violence. In this speech BOWLES stated that "if they (negro organizations to which he was referring) continue to prove to me they are trying to tear down the white race I'll do everything within my power, legally, to stop them. I say legally, because as long as I am president of the National Association for Advancement of White People, this organization will never wear any white sheets or burn any crosses. Everything will be done over and above the table."

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[] Radio Announcer on Station WPIK, who was on duty on June 20 advised that when BOWLES did not make his scheduled talk over the station that day, he received approximately 75 telephone calls asking why BOWLES did not talk and if he would be back on the air again. Mr. [] stated that most of these telephone calls, if not all of them, were in favor of the talks given by BOWLES.

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LEADS

MEMPHIS DIVISION (INFORMATION)

One copy of this report is designated for the Memphis Division in view of the fact that BOWLES stated that Memphis is to be the Chapter Headquarters of the Midsouth area.

BALTIMORE DIVISION (INFORMATION)

One copy of this report is designated for information purposes to Baltimore since a lead is presently outstanding for that office to check the corporation papers of the above organization.

CHICAGO DIVISION (INFORMATION)

One copy is designated for the Chicago Division. Reference is made to St. Louis letter to Director dated August 25, 1952, in a letter entitled "National Association for the Advancement of White People, IS-X."

It is believed that this organization is not the same as the NAAWP which is the subject of this report. BOWLES stated in 1954 that Chicago would be next for a branch office, whereas the above letter indicated activity on the part of the NAAWP in 1952.

WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE

AT WASHINGTON, D. C.

Will attempt to develop source of information concerning the activities of subject organization and any affiliations it may have.

REFERENCE: Bureau letter dated May 5, 1954.

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**NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR ADVANCEMENT
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1346 CONNECTICUT AVENUE, N. W.
WASHINGTON 6, D. C.

_____, Date _____, 195____, do hereby apply for membership for one year in the National Association for Advancement of White People for the enclosed sum of two dollars.

My address is _____
Name _____
Number _____ Street _____ City or Town _____ State _____

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Signature _____

You Will Be Proud To Show Your Membership Card

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Man was conceived by the Creator—as were all things—in variety, which we know as race.

Man received from Him the instinct to exist and the means to perpetuate himself in his particular image, but the “Will” to exist was to depend upon the particular Man.

History discloses that Man’s “Will to Exist” has resulted in a highly competitive struggle among the various races for sustenance, land, wealth, freedom, etc., which we understand as the “struggle for existence.”

In this struggle for existence every race develops a way of life, or *Culture*.

Culture, then, is essentially the means of racial existence.

In a competitive world the continual advancement and strengthening of their *Culture* is the only certain way a race may ensure their continued existence.

It is to this noble task of advancing and strengthening our *Culture* that the NAAWP is dedicated.

To this end the NAAWP proposes:

- (1) to organize all those white people who wish to carry on and further develop the essential and permanent characteristics of our *Culture* as previously developed and handed down by our forbears.
- (2) to help educate our people, through a program of lectures, books, pamphlets, papers, etc., in the true value of their *Culture*, that in their political, economic, religious, social, moral, scientific, recreational, etc., institutions, and to point out the Good, which it (the NAAWP) will promote, the Bad, which it will stamp out, and the mistakes, which it will correct, and

- (3) to secure the necessary legislation to effect the program of advancing and strengthening the *Culture* of the White People,

Today we are confronted with a movement to integrate the White and Negro races. The NAAWP—after sane consideration and rational appraisal of facts—believes racial integration can only result in the ultimate destruction of both the White and Negro races. Therefore, as its first important task, the NAAWP opposes the movement to integration.

Today people are concerned about their right to live among neighbors of their own choice; they are concerned about the security of the most important investment any family can ever make—the investment in a *home*; and they are concerned about the education and intimate associations of their children from birth to manhood or womanhood.

Therefore, the NAAWP will immediately seek to advance the White People by ensuring their right, in law, to associate with those of their own kind, if they so desire, either publicly or privately in any or all of the multitude of life’s activities. *Racial separation is No Sin—Hatred Is.*

The NAAWP is in the open where all men can see and form clear judgments. We strive for fair play; and because we want fair play in return, we wish not to be misquoted.

The NAAWP wants to do what is right and what is good. We are Americans. In order to defend our own rights, we will defend the rights of others. What we want for ourselves, we grant to others. We demand for ourselves no more than we believe belong of right to others. We will not settle for less.

The NAAWP believes in the equal protection of the laws for all citizens, whether White or Negro, but does not understand by that, the White People do not have the right to associate with one another.

The NAAWP recognizes that the Negro, an American citizen, is entitled to these same rights, and it will always be ready to assist the Negro in his fight for these rights.

The NAAWP believes in the right to private property and of free enterprise.

The NAAWP believes in the Brotherhood of Man, but understands by that, one ought to help a fellow man in distress, not that one should deny the most fundamental principle of life, the struggle for existence.

The NAAWP is not motivated by prejudice, bigotry or hatred; nor are its policies Un-American, un-democratic, or Un-Christian.

The NAAWP will always endeavor to be just, decent and reasonable in all its actions.

The NAAWP is a law abiding association, recognizing the authority of and adhering to the Constitution; also, the Federal, State and local laws in their respective jurisdictions.

The NAAWP will always endeavor to be governed in its actions by the Golden Rule:
*"DO UNTO OTHERS AS YOU WOULD
HAVE THEM DO UNTO YOU."*

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR ADVANCEMENT
OF WHITE PEOPLE, INC.

B. W. BOWLES, *President.*

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Nichols

DATE: July 15, 1954

FROM : M. A. Jones

SUBJECT: THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF
ADVANCEMENT FOR WHITE PEOPLE, INC.

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Recently, a friend of Special Agent Suttler, Mr. Harry A. McCambridge, 138 Twelfth Street, Southeast, Washington 3, D. C., handed him a copy of a little brochure titled "Aims Purposes of National Association of Advancement for White People, Inc." This brochure reflected it was re-printed by popular demand.

The headquarters of this association was 1319 F Street, Northwest, Suite 916, Washington 4, D. C. According to the brochure, this organization came into being for the purpose of organizing all those white people who wish to carry on and further develop the essential and permanent characteristics of our Culture as previously developed and handed down by our forbears; to help educate our people through a program of lectures, books, pamphlets, et cetera; and to secure the necessary legislation to effect the program of advancing and strengthening the Culture of the White People.

The brochure is attached, along with an application for membership in this organization.

captioned organization is subject of Bureau investigation. Bufiles are negative as to any information of value on the organization, although it has been called to the Bureau's attention previously.

RECOMMENDATION:

No action. For information only.

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ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED
DATE 2-7-89 BY SP-1 [signature]
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Your letter postmarked July 23, 1954, has been received.

While I would like to be of service, I must advise that data in FBI files are confidential and available for official use only. I would like to point out also that the FBI is strictly a fact-finding agency and does not draw conclusions or make evaluations regarding the character or integrity of any organization or individual. This Bureau does not issue clearances of any type, but reports the results of our investigations without comment to other interested governmental agencies.

I know you will understand the reasons for these rules and will not infer from my inability to be of assistance either that we do or that we do not have any information concerning the organization you mentioned.

Sincerely yours,

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JUL 28 1954

COMM-FBI

John Edgar Hoover
Director

CC - Baltimore, with copy of [redacted]
ATTENTION SAC: A digest of newspaper articles and literature published by the National Association for the Advancement of White People reflects that it is a corporation Inc. under the laws of the State of Delaware. Regional offices are maintained at 1319 [redacted] Street, Northwest. Newspaper articles reflect that [redacted] organization had 8,000 members as of January 1954, and that membership has increased since that time. Bryant W. Bowles, President, has delivered two speeches over station WPIK, Alexandria, Virginia, setting forth his ideas against racial integration and attacking recent Supreme Court decision. In some

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(ATTENTION SAC: continued on next page.)

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Your letter dated September 9, 1954, has been received.

Although I would like to be of service, information in FBI files is confidential and available for official use only. I would like to point out also that this Bureau is strictly a fact-finding agency and does not make evaluations or draw conclusions as to the character or integrity of any organization or individual.

I know you will understand the reason for these rules and will not infer either that we do or that we do not have the information you desire.

Sincerely yours

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COMM-FBI

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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NOTE: The National Association for the Advancement of White People is subject of Bufile 105-18867. No information is disclosed therein which would indicate that this group is Communist infiltrated or controlled. A digest of newspaper articles and literature published by the National Association for the Advancement of White People reflects that it is a non-profit corporation inc. under the laws of the State of Delaware. National offices are maintained at 2919 F Street, Northwest, Washington, D.C. 20007. Newspaper articles reflect that subject organization has 12,000 members as of January, 1953, and that membership has increased since that time. Bryant W. Bowles, President, has delivered speeches over station WPIK, Alexandria, Virginia, setting forth his views against racial integration and attacking the Civil Rights Movement (see next page)

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AT 7:00 P.M., EDT)
(SEGREGATION)

A DETERMINED EX-MARINE SERGEANT FROM FLORIDA SAID HE WILL FIGHT HIS FIGHT FOR "PRESERVATION OF WHITE CULTURE" IN THE FACE OF THE SUPREME COURT'S NO-SCHOOL-SEGREGATION RULING.

BRYANT N. BOWLES, 34-YEAR-OLD PRESIDENT OF THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF WHITE PEOPLE, HIS WEEK CHALKED UP THE FIRST TENTATIVE LEGAL VICTORY OF HIS ORGANIZATION'S NINE MONTHS OF EXISTENCE.

BALTIMORE, MD., SUPERIOR COURT JUDGE JOHN T. TUCKER, IN RESPONSE TO A PETITION FROM THE "NAAWP" AND A CITIZENS' COMMITTEE, GAVE THE BALTIMORE SCHOOL BOARD 15 DAYS TO SHOW WHY IT SHOULD NOT BE REQUIRED TO RESTORE THE CITY'S SCHOOLS TO A SEGREGATED BASIS.

BALTIMORE'S SCHOOLS WERE OPENED ON A NON-SEGREGATED BASIS FOR THE FIRST TIME LAST TUESDAY. THE NAAWP AND THE MARYLAND PETITION COMMITTEE OF JESSUP, MD., CLAIM THE CITY'S CODE REQUIRES SEGREGATED SCHOOLS.

THIS TEMPORARY ADVANTAGE WAS OFFSET IN WASHINGTON WHERE FEDERAL JUDGE HENRY A. SCHWEINHART THIS WEEK DENIED AN INJUNCTION SOUGHT BY THE FEDERATION OF CITIZENS ASSOCIATIONS TO BLOCK DE-SEGREGATION OF THE CAPITAL'S SCHOOLS WHEN THEY REOPEN NEXT MONDAY.

BOWLES WAS UNDISMAYED BY THE WASHINGTON RULING. HE SAID HE PLANS TO SEEK A CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT GIVING THE STATES FULL POWER TO DEAL WITH SEGREGATION REGARDLESS OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT'S ATTITUDE.

THE YOUTHFUL VETERAN, WHO FINISHED HIGH SCHOOL AND JOINED THE MARINES AT THE AGE OF 19, SAID HE IS "NOT AFRAID" TO FIGHT FOR HIS "RIGHT TO FREE SPEECH" IN FAVOR OF SEGREGATION DESPITE ALL OPPOSITION.

"I FIGURE ACCORDING TO THE INSURANCE STATISTICS THAT I GOT SOME 40 MORE YEARS TO LIVE AND I'M GOING TO DIE HOPPIN' AND HOLLERIN' FOR THE WHITE RACE," HE SAID IN AN INTERVIEW.

"IF I GO TO JAIL I WANT TO BE SURE IT'S IN THE SOUTH. JAILS ARE SEGREGATED THERE."

BOWLES CHARTERED HIS NAAWP, SIMILAR IN NAME TO THE LONG-ESTABLISHED NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE (NAACP), ON DEC. 14, 1953.

BOWLES, PREVIOUSLY IN THE CONTRACTING BUSINESS IN TAMPA, FLA., AND BALTIMORE, MD., SAID HE SOLD HIS AUTO TO OBTAIN CAPITAL FOR HIS ORGANIZATION.

"IN THE BEGINNING I SKIPPED MEALS TO BUY STAMPS," HE SAID. "NOW WE CAN BUY LOTS OF STAMPS." MEMBERSHIPS COST \$5 AND WITH THOSE, PLUS DONATIONS, "WE JUST ABOUT BREAK EVEN NOW," HE SAID.

NAAWP MEMBERSHIP CARDS STATE THE ORGANIZATION IS OPEN TO ALL WHITE U.S. CITIZENS OVER 18 WHO "BELIEVE IN SEPARATION OF THE RACES OF MANKIND." BOWLES IS TRYING TO RECRUIT FOLLOWERS BY MAILING APPLICATION BLANKS TO NEWSPAPERS, LODGES AND OTHER GROUPS ACROSS THE NATION. HE SAID HE HAS SENT OUT A QUARTER-MILLION PRO-WHITE PAMPHLETS SINCE HIS ORGANIZATION WAS STARTED.

BOWLES DECLINED TO GIVE HIS TOTAL MEMBERSHIP TO DATE EXCEPT THAT HE EXPECTS IT TO BE AROUND 50,000 BY JAN. 1, 1955.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Tolson

DATE: 9/29/54

FROM : R. T. Harbo

SUBJECT: BRYANT W. BOWLES
PRESIDENT, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR ADVANCEMENT
OF WHITE PEOPLE, INCORPORATED; INTERNAL SECURITY - X

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You will recall my memorandum of 9-28-54 on the captioned subject which set forth the fact that Governor of Delaware was interested in the subjects because of the segregation difficulties at Milford, Delaware, and that Delaware State Police had telephonically requested any information we might have. As a result of that memorandum, it was approved that we were to telephonically advise Captain C. L. Lawrence (NA), Delaware State Police of the following: The fact that captioned organization was chartered in Delaware with Bowles listed as president; the fact that a news article on Bowles and the organization had appeared in the Washington Evening Star on 2-18-54; and that one Bryant W. Bowles, FBI No. 4968033, might be identical, although positive identification cannot be made without fingerprints. Lawrence was also to be told that Bowles, FBI No. 4968033 had been arrested by the Baltimore PD and that he had been fined \$125 and costs on 7-22-54 for five bogus checks.

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Although told on 9-28-54 that it would not be necessary for him to come to Washington, Captain Lawrence appeared at Inspector J. S. Rogers office at about 8:40 a.m. on 9-29-54. In the absence of Inspector Rogers, Supervisor Francisco talked to him. Lawrence spoke as follows in substance: Mayor of Milford, Delaware, received letter dated 9-25-54 from one

The letter stated in effect that Bowles had been removed as president of captioned organization 9-11-54 and that [redacted] was the new president. The letter gave the address of the captioned organization's office in Washington, D. C. and Captain Lawrence was in Washington to investigate at the office.

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DATE 2-9-59
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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Tolson ✓

DATE: 9/28/54

FROM : R. T. Harbo *RAM*

SUBJECT: BRYANT W. BOWLES
 PRESIDENT, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR ADVANCEMENT
 OF WHITE PEOPLE, INCORPORATED; INTERNAL SECURITY - X
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 _____, Delaware State Police, telephoned Supervisor _____ at about 3:30 p.m. this date. He said: Governor agitated over segregation problem at Milford, Delaware and asked aid of State Police for any information available on Bowles and captioned organization. Bowles presently in Milford and active in segregation difficulties. Lawrence wanted any information Bureau might have.

He was advised he would be called 9-29-54 and told whether Bureau had anything available for dissemination.

An article in the Times Herald for 9-22-54 reflected two public schools in Milford, Delaware, were closed indefinitely on 9-21-54 because of telephone threats of violence over 11 negro pupils admitted to the local high school. School reopened 9-27-54 with negro children attending, pending ruling of State Supreme Court. Washington City News Service Dispatch 9-27-54 reflected schools reopened that date with 1/3 total students, including 10 of 11 negro students. Eight of 10 negro students escorted to school by police. Two others came in school bus without incident. Local police and state police on hand to prevent disorder. Bureau has conducted two inquiries at request of Department, furnished results and no indication to date of federal violation.*

National Association for the Advancement of White People, Incorporated, was chartered in Delaware on 12/14/53, Bryant W. Bowles, president. Article in Washington Evening Star stated organization had 3,000 members in January 1954. Organization is anti-negro. Bowles, in radio speeches, expressed opposition to racial integration and attacked Supreme Court decision.

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SENT DIRECTOR
 9-29-54

✓ Bowles was born March 4, 1920, at Alfred, Florida. He enlisted in the Marine Corps on 10-23-39; honorably discharged 11-14-45; re-enlisted 10-11-50 and released from active duty 12-11-51. He was married, divorced, remarried and has two children. He was AWOL from 6-6-40 to 6-11-40. Ten days confinement and \$7 a month fine for 2 months. On 11-1-51, while confined in Rodriguez Army Hospital, Puerto Rico, wrote a check for \$50, which was returned marked "no account". Marine Corps records reflect Bowles still indebted to Marine Corps in amount of \$917.00 for over payment. All attempts to collect have been fruitless.

The Identification Division files contain a record on one Bryant W. Bowles, FBI No. 4968033, which reflects that this Bowles was arrested on a number of occasions for passing bad checks and on two occasions as a fugitive. The disposition of two arrests is unknown. Following one arrest by the Baltimore Police Department on 5/12/54 he was sentenced on 7-22-54 to a fine of \$25 and costs on each of five cases of bogus checks. It is unknown whether Bowles FBI No. 4968033 is identical with Bowles who is subject of the inquiry by the Delaware State Police.

✓ Bufile 87-10963 has subject Bryant William Bowles, Jr., as a passer of bad checks. There was no federal violation concerning this man inasmuch as he used his right name. It is not known whether this Bowles is identical with the subject of the inquiry from [redacted]

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SAC D. K. Brown was telephonically contacted and he advised that he had no other information other than that appearing in the Bureau files concerning NAAWP and/or Bowles. He pointed out his resident Agent at Dover, Delaware, according to a memorandum he just received, had on 9-23-54 received an inquiry from [redacted] (NA), Delaware State Police, who inquired as to whether Bureau had any information indicating NAAWP was anything but a straight-forward organization. Resident Agent recommended, if any information available, [redacted] be furnished same. No information furnished to date. Brown pointed out excellent cooperation existed between Delaware State Police and Baltimore office. [redacted], and four other top officers of State Police are National Academy men. He recommended that if any information is furnished to State Police that it be furnished through Baltimore office.

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SAC
D.K. Brown

RECOMMENDATIONS:

(1) That through the Baltimore Office [redacted] b7C
[redacted] be referred to the fact that the National Association
for the Advancement of White People is chartered in the state
of Delaware at Dover and that the articles of incorporation
will reflect the identities of the officers.

(2) That the Baltimore Office also be advised
to refer Captain Lawrence to the article which appeared in
the Washington Evening Star newspaper under date of 2-18-54,
which carries a photograph of Bowles and the results of an
interview with him concerning the aims of the organization.

(3) Since it is not known whether the Bowles
referred to by the Delaware State Police is identical with
Bowles, FBI No. 49680339^R subject of the Interstate Transportation
of Stolen Property case, it is recommended that this information
not be made available to the police.

(4) That in the event the above recommendations
are approved, the Baltimore Office will be instructed to contact
[redacted] and advise him in accordance with recommendations

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this A.M. I told [redacted]
to give him leads from
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[] went to the office of captioned organization and when he returned at 11 a.m. on 9-29-54 gave the following information in substance: He had interviewed Bowles at the office of captioned organization, had learned that Bowles was still president, that Mrs. Bowles was secretary-treasurer and that [] was suffering from a war wound and was not responsible. Bowles indicated that he planned to set up a headquarters in Delaware in the near future. Lawrence indicated that from the looks of the office the organization is being run on a shoe string, but that the secretary's desk was piled high with applications for membership; he guessed that many of them were probably from Delaware. Bowles told him that the post office authorities had been interested in Robertson as a possible law violator. Lawrence said he talked with what he described as postal solicitors and with one Bill Lawrence, no relation, in particular. Postal employees verified that Robertson was a war casualty and was probably not responsible. The postal authorities indicated a definite interest in the situation at Milford.

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At this time Lawrence was given the approved information set out above and he seemed most appreciative. [] said that in his opinion Bowles has been inflammatory in his statements and that violence was a distinct possibility. He said the situation was getting worse rather than better.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. That this be routed to Domestic Intelligence for information.

2. That this be routed to the Investigative Division for information.

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Baltimore Office advised on
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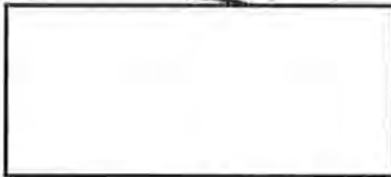
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October 4, 1954



Your letter dated September 22, 1954, has been received.

In response to your inquiry, I wish to advise that information in FBI files is confidential and available for official use only. You may be interested in knowing that this Bureau is strictly a fact-finding agency and does not make evaluations or draw conclusions as to the character or integrity of any organization, publication or individual.

I do hope that you will understand the reason for these rules and will not infer from my inability to be of assistance either that we do or that we do not have any information concerning the subject of your inquiry.

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HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED
DATE 2-2-82 BY SP-7 JMS/JSB
John Edgar Hoover
Director

COMM - FBI
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NOTE: A digest of newspaper articles and literature published by the National Association for the Advancement of White People reflects that it is a non-profit corporation incorporated under the laws of the State of Delaware with national offices at 1319 F Street, Northwest. Newspaper articles reflect that this organization had 3,000 members as of January, 1954, and that the membership has increased since that time. Mr. B. W. Bones, President, has delivered two speeches over Station WPIX, Alexandria, Virginia, setting forth his ideas against racial integration and attacking the recent Supreme Court decision in this regard. In some literature published by the organization, its purposes are set forth as being opposed to Communism and all "left-wing elements."

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **WASHINGTON FIELD**

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REPORT MADE AT WASHINGTON, D.C.	DATE WHEN MADE 9/1-3, 22, 23, 28, 29/54	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 9/1-3, 22, 23, 28, 29/54	REPORT MADE BY <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 100px; height: 1.2em; display: inline-block;"></div> FCP
TITLE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR ADVANCEMENT OF WHITE PEOPLE, INCORPORATED			CHARACTER OF CASE INTERNAL SECURITY - X

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Informant advises BRYANT W. BOWLES, President, NAAWP, has not broadcasted any further programs over Station WPIK, Alexandria, Virginia, due to failure of BOWLES to comply with station request to submit scripts prior to broadcasting. Subject organization has commenced publication of The National Forum, a bimonthly newspaper containing news regarding segregation. Corporate papers of organization filed at the Office of Secretary of State, Dover, Delaware, reviewed.

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*CRIMINAL DIVISION,
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DETAILS: AT WASHINGTON, D. C.

Confidential Informant of unknown reliability, advised on September 1, 1954, that BRYANT W. BOWLES, the President of National Association for Advancement of White People, had only given two radio talks over Station WPIK in Alexandria, Virginia. Informant advised that the station had requested BOWLES to submit scripts concerning his talks on Thursday if he was going to deliver his speech on a Sunday program. Informant stated that on the two occasions that

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Tolson *VJ*

FROM : L. B. Nichols

DATE: Oct. 7, 1954

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SUBJECT: BRYANT W. BOWLES, JR.
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE
ADVANCEMENT OF WHITE PEOPLE
INTERNAL SECURITY - X

Bufile 105-15567

Shortly before 3 p.m. today, [] of United Press advised [] he was interested in any criminal record on a man named Bowles, whose first name he did not know, who is connected with the National Association for the Advancement of White People. [] stated the Attorney General was having a press conference at 3 p.m. and it was possible the segregation issue might come up. [] stated he would check back with my office after the press conference. [] was advised at that time that as he knew our Identification Division files were confidential.

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At 3:25 p.m., [] called back stating the press conference had just broken up and that one of the reporters had asked the Attorney General about Bowles' criminal record, there having appeared an article in the Washington Post today indicating Bowles had admitted certain arrests in Baltimore and Florida. [] wondered if the Washington Post story was correct.

[] he would be presumptuous to make any comment on any statement made by the Attorney General. [] admitted that the Attorney General had stated the information in the Post was substantially correct so far as Bowles' criminal record was concerned. [] then stated he would get a copy of the Post story.

There is, of course, nothing further for us to do and we will not be answering any inquiries on Bowles' criminal arrest background.

cc: Mr. Boardman
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Belmont
Mr. Holloman

JJM:MP

Mr. Nichols admin.
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BOWLES gave talks he did not submit his scripts and that the station refused to let him broadcast any more since he had failed to comply with their regulations.

Confidential Informant [] of unknown reliability, advised on September 2, 1954, that subject organization has published one issue of a newspaper known as The National Forum and that it was the intention of the organization to publish further issues on a bimonthly basis. [] also furnished the following information concerning the NAAWP.

[] stated that he has been a member of the organization almost since its inception, and that he has met the President, BRYANT W. BOWLES, on a couple of occasions. According to [] BOWLES is not "the man for the job", since the original idea of the NAAWP was to set up a lobbying organization to have a "white" voice on issues before legislative and court bodies when issues arose concerning racial problems. According to [] it was never the intention nor is it the intention of the NAAWP to incite any racial hatred or violence and [] stated that he believes there is a definite need for an organization like the NAAWP.

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[] stated that he has noticed no signs of any unlawful use of force or actual stimulation of racial hatred and that if such came to his attention, he certainly would not stay a member of this organization. [] stated that so far there have been no membership meetings and no publications outside of the one mentioned above, "The National Forum". According to [] BOWLES has spoken at one civic meeting as the president of the organization, but the informant was unable to state what meeting this was. [] stated he has asked BOWLES on a number of occasions concerning the total membership and also about branches in other cities. According to [] BOWLES always fends off these questions and has given him different answers concerning the number of members. According to [] no membership list has been compiled.

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Confidential Informant [] of unknown reliability, on September 9, 1954, furnished a copy of "The National Forum," the bimonthly publication of the organization. This issue contained four pages which were devoted to problems of racial

segregation. The paper included articles attacking the activities of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, under a column which was headed "Total Mongrelization is NAACP Goal." The article points out at one point that the NAACP has Jewish leadership. This is pointed out in the following terms: "Jewish Leadership. Before doing that, however, it is necessary to correct a popular misconception as to the leadership of the NAACP. Because it is not really and truly a Negro organization at all. The people behind the NAACP are not Negroes, but Jews. This will come as a surprise to some because the organization invariably uses Negroes as fronts for its activities, and the rank and file of its staff is Negro. Nevertheless the president of NAACP, and the real power in the organization, is the Jew, ARTHUR SPINGARN. When this fact is digested the revolutionary program of the NAACP becomes a little more comprehensible."

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[redacted] Office of the Secretary of State, Dover, Delaware, made available the file of that office concerning captioned organization. The following information was obtained from the Certificate of Incorporation, which was received and filed at the Office of the Secretary of State, Dover, Delaware, at 9:00 A.M., December 14, 1953:

- I. Name: National Association for Advancement of White People, Incorporated
- II. Principal Office in State of Delaware: 317-325 South State Street, Dover, Kent County, Delaware
Resident Agent: The Prentice-Hall Corporation System, Incorporated, 317-325 South State Street, Dover, Delaware.
- III. The nature of the business of the corporation and the objects and purposes proposed to be transacted, promoted or carried on by it are: to do any or all of the things hereinafter mentioned, as fully and to the same extent as natural persons might or could do, and in any part of the world, viz:

To foster, protect and maintain all rights of citizens as guaranteed by the Constitution of the United States of America.

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To maintain all social customs now enjoyed and practiced by the residents of the United States of America.

To proceed on all matters that in the judgment of the Board of Directors may seem proper and necessary for the welfare and good of the residents of the United States of America.

To make studies of social relationships among the members of the various races and to formulate programs of action designed to benefit communities and neighborhoods in the United States of America, and to insure stable property values, and promote proper relationships among races.

To protect areas occupied by certain races against encroachment on the part of other races or members of other races, which result in non-stability of real estate in said areas, except to members of one race.

The officers of the corporation were listed as:

President - B.W. BOWLES, 1600 Keokee Street, Hyattsville,
Maryland
Vice President - B.P. ROBERTSON, 1600 Keokee Street, Hyattsville,
Maryland
Secretary - E.L. WILLIFORD, 1699 Keokee Street, Hyattsville,
Maryland
Treasurer - P.S. ROBERTSON, 1600 Keokee Street, Hyattsville,
Maryland

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (105-18867)

DATE: October 4, 1954

FROM : SAC, WFO (100-26356)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR
ADVANCEMENT OF WHITE
PEOPLE, INC.
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ReBullets 8/30/54 and 9/21/54.

Transmitted herewith for the Bureau is the report
of SA [redacted], dated 10/4/54, at Washington, D. C.,
concerning above caption.In compliance with the above referenced letter of
8/30/54, the following is a thumbnail sketch concerning
captioned organization:

The National Association for Advancement of White
People, Inc., is a non-profit organization which received
a Certificate of Incorporation from the State of Delaware
on 12/14/53. In the certificate filed with the Secretary of
State, Dover, Delaware, the following aims and purposes are
set forth:

To foster, protect and maintain all rights of
citizens as guaranteed by the Constitution of the
United States of America.

To maintain all social customs now enjoyed and
practiced by the residents of the United States of
America.

To proceed on all matters that in the judgment of
the Board of Directors may seem proper and necessary
for the welfare and good of the residents of the
United States of America.

To make studies of social relationships among
the members of the various races and to formulate
programs of action designed to benefit communities and
neighborhoods in the United States of America, and to
insure stable property values, and promote proper
relationships among races.

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DATE 9-8-82 BY SP-7 [signature]
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NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF WHITE PEOPLE, INC.,

IS-X. RE INTEGRATION PROBLEM IN MILFORD, DELAWARE. DSP PUBLISHED
INFORMATION IN LOCAL NEWSPAPER 9/30/54 CONCERNING POLICE RECORD IN BALTIMORE,
MD. AND FLORIDA OF BRYAN W. BOWLES OR WILLIAM B. BOWLES, PRESIDENT OF
NAAWP, WHO HAS BEEN ACTIVE IN DELAWARE AND DSP IS OF OPINION BOWLES
WILL LOSE SOME SUPPORT AS RESULT OF THE PUBLICITY. DSP FURTHER REPORTS
THAT NEWLY ELECTED SCHOOL BOARD AT MILFORD, DEL. HANDED DOWN DECISION
ON 9/30/54 TO TAKE NEGRO STUDENTS OUT OF MILFORD SCHOOL FOR INDEFINITE
PERIOD AND THE OPERATION OF THE SCHOOL RETURNED TO ALMOST NORMAL ON
10/1/54. [REDACTED], DSP, WHO HAS BEEN IN CHARGE OF SPECIAL
DETAIL AT MILFORD, DEL. ADVISES TENSE SITUATION AT MILFORD, DEL.

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APPEARS RELIEVED AT PRESENT, ALTHOUGH NAAWP APPARENTLY INTENDS TO CONTINUE
DRIVE FOR MEMBERS AND FIGHT FOR SEGREGATION IN OTHER SCHOOLS IN DEL.

[REDACTED] ADVISED DSP CONTINUING INVESTIGATION OF NAAWP AND INTENDS TO
CONTACT [REDACTED] HYATTSVILLE, MD., WHO RECENTLY WROTE A LETTER
TO THE MAYOR OF MILFORD, DEL. STATING HE WAS PRESIDENT OF NAAWP AND BOWLES
WAS NOT PRESIDENT. LAMB STATED INVESTIGATION HAS INDICATED BOWLES IS
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cc: 2-Washington Field

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To protect areas occupied by certain races against encroachment on the part of other races or members of other races, which result in non-stability of real estate in said areas, except to members of one race.

The organization, according to its bimonthly publication, "The National Forum," maintains offices at 1319 F Street, N. W., Washington, D. C. BRYANT W. BOWLES is listed in the organization's publication as Editor of "The National Forum" and President of the organization.

In compliance with referenced Bureau letter dated 9/21/54, the Bureau is hereby notified that arrangements have been made to receive, on a regular basis, copies of "The National Forum". These copies are to be received in the future through the confidential mail box maintained by this office.

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NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF WHITE PEOPLE. IS - X.

REMYAIRTEL 10/5/54. PHILADELPHIA INQUIRER, 10/6/54, CARRIED ITEM RE
REPORTER'S INTERVIEW OF W. BRYANT BOWLES AT PHILADELPHIA INTERNATIONAL
AIRPORT NIGHT OF 10/5/54. ACCORDING TO INQUIRER, BOWLES SAID, "IF
THE STATE OF DELAWARE, THROUGH ITS ATTORNEY GENERAL, LIFTS OUR FRANCHISE,
WE'LL GO INTO THE 47 OTHER STATES AND SEEK FRANCHISES. FAILING THAT,
WE'LL TAKE TO THE US MAILS." THE ITEM FURTHER REVEALED THAT BOWLES WAS
IN PHILADELPHIA (ACCORDING TO BOWLES) TO ADDRESS A MEETING OF HIS SUPPORTERS
WHO WERE INTERESTED IN STARTING A LOCAL CHAPTER OF THE ASSOCIATION. HE
REFUSED TO SAY WHERE OR WHEN THE MEETING WAS TO TAKE PLACE. [REDACTED]
THIS DATE, WAS ADVISED BY W. HENRY MAC FARLAND, JR. (BUFILE 105-7851),
CHAIRMAN OF THE AMERICAN FLAG COMMITTEE, THAT HE WAS NOT IN CONTACT WITH
BOWLES. MAC FARLAND SAID HE HAD INTENDED GOING TO DELAWARE TO SEE BOWLES
BUT HAD NOT MANAGED TO GET THERE. HE INDICATED HE HAD HEARD OF THE
NEWSPAPER ITEM REFERRED TO ABOVE, AND EXPRESSED HIS INTEREST IN SEEING
END PAGE ONE

RJL/DAP
(100-40527)

cc: [REDACTED] X4
105-425 (W. HENRY MAC FARLAND, JR.)

Approved: N. H. F.
Special Agent in Charge

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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PRESIDENT, BUT THEY INTEND TO ASCERTAIN IF [] HAS ANY INFORMATION
OF INTEREST. DSP HAS REMOVED MOST OF SPECIAL DETAIL AT MILFORD, DELAWARE
AND CONSIDERS THE SITUATION QUIET AT PRESENT. BUREAU WILL BE ADVISED
OF ANY IMPORTANT DEVELOPMENTS.

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CC: MR. BELMONT
AND SUPERVISOR
DOM. INTEL. DIVISION

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Special Agent in Charge

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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OCTOBER 6, 1954 URGENT

To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

Transmit the following message to SAC, BALTIMORE

**NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF WHITE PEOPLE, INC.,
INTERNAL SECURITY DASH X. BUREAU HAS BEEN REQUESTED BY DEPARTMENT
TO DETERMINE WHETHER OR NOT BRYANT W. BOWLES, JR., WHO REPRESENTS
HIMSELF AS PRESIDENT OF CAPTIONED ORGANIZATION, IS IDENTICAL WITH
ONE BRYANT W. BOWLES, JR NAMED IN VARIOUS INDICTMENTS FILED IN
STATE COURT, BALTIMORE, MARYLAND. YOU ARE INSTRUCTED TO REVIEW
RECORDS RE BOWLES NAMED IN INDICTMENT NUMBER FIVE NAUGHT ONE OF THE
GENERAL TERM, NINETEEN FIFTYTHREE FILED IN STATE COURT, BALTIMORE,
MARYLAND, AND ON WHICH VERDICT OF NOT GUILTY WAS RETURNED BY
JUDGE MANLEY ON JUNE EIGHTEEN, NINETEEN FIFTYFOUR, ALSO INDICTMENT
NUMBER ONE NINE FIVE TWO CHARGING BOWLES WITH FALSE PRETENSES FILED
MAY FOUR, NINETEEN FIFTYTHREE, FOR WHICH BOWLES APPARENTLY FOUND
GUILTY BY JUDGE MANLEY ON JULY TWENTYSEVEN, NINETEEN FIFTYFOUR, AND
SENTENCED TO ONE YEAR AT MARYLAND HOUSE OF CORRECTIONS BUT SUSPENDED
PROVIDING BOWLES MADE RESTITUTION. RECORDS OF THIS CASE, ACCORDING
TO DEPARTMENT, INDICATE THAT ONE CHARLES F. POSQUA WAS COMPLAINING
WITNESS. INTERVIEW POSQUA RE COMPLETE DETAILS OF HIS COMPLAINT.
YOU SHOULD REVIEW RECORDS OF JUDGE MANLEY DASH 8 COURT IN CONNECTION
WITH ANY OTHER INDICTMENTS AGAINST BOWLES SINCE IT APPEARS THAT**

**BOWLES WAS ALSO FOUND GUILTY ON JUNE EIGHTEEN, NINETEEN FIFTYFOUR,
ON FIVE COUNTS OF FALSE PRETENSES AND FINED TWENTYFIVE DOLLARS**

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2cc - WASHINGTON (100-86356) BY COURIER SERVICE

BUFILE 105-18867

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SEE NOTE ON YELLOW ON PAGE 2.

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BOWLES, SAYING HE DEFINITELY WOULD GET IN TOUCH WITH HIM IN THE NEAR FUTURE. MAC FARLAND PROMISED HE WOULD ADVISE SOURCE WHEN HE DID SO, AND THAT HE WOULD ADVISE SOURCE OF ANY INFORMATION HE RECEIVES CONCERNING THE FORMATION OF A LOCAL CHAPTER OF NAAWP AND DETAILS RE ANY OF ITS MEETINGS. EFFORTS WILL BE MADE BY THE PHILADELPHIA OFFICE TO HAVE SOURCE BECOME MEMBER OF LOCAL CHAPTER, IF FORMED.] SHOULD PHILADELPHIA RECEIVE FURTHER INFO IN THIS REGARD, BUREAU WILL BE PROMPTLY ADVISED.

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Special Agent in Charge

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Assistant Attorney General
Warren Olney III

October 8, 1954

Director, FBI

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ON 3-21-91

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE
ADVANCEMENT OF WHITE PEOPLE, INCORPORATED
INTERNAL SECURITY - X
FBI file 105-18867
Your file 146-1-23-1426

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DATE 2-11-82 BY SP-1 [signature]

Reference is made to the telephone call from [redacted] of your Civil Rights Section to a representative of the Bureau on October 7, 1954, requesting that the Bureau make available any identification record concerning one Bryant W. Bowles, Jr.

This will confirm that on October 7, 1954, one copy of the identification record concerning one Bryant William Bowles, Jr., under FBI number 4968033 was furnished to [redacted]

In addition, one copy of the report of Special Agent [redacted] dated October 4, 1954, at Washington, D. C., captioned as above was also furnished to [redacted]

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Any additional pertinent information received in connection with this matter will be furnished to you promptly.

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One copy of FBI identification record number 4968033 and one copy of the report dated October 4, 1954, were personally delivered to [redacted] by Supervisor [redacted] at 11:42 a.m., October 7, 1954. Handled in accordance with memorandum from Mr. Baumgardner to Mr. Belmont dated October 7, 1954.

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ON EACH COUNT. SUTEL SUMMARY OF COURT RECORDS AND INTERVIEW
OF POSQUA. FOLLOW WITH DETAILS IN REPORT FORM CAPTIONED AS
ABOVE TO REACH BUREAU WITHIN FIVE DAYS. WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE
ADVISED.

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NOTE ON YELLOW:

Identification Division is checking criminal record
of Bowles against Marine Corps record to determine whether they
are identical. Washington Field is office of origin in captioned
matter.

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TO : MR. HARBO *RE*

DATE: 10/11/54

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FROM : G. C. GEARTY

SUBJECT: DISTRIBUTION OF NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR ADVANCEMENT OF
WHITE PEOPLE LITERATURE BY [REDACTED]

On 10/8/54 Mr. [REDACTED], Inspector in Charge of the 10th and F Street, S. W., District of Columbia Automobile Inspection Station, advised SA [REDACTED] that [REDACTED], an automobile inspector working at the 10th and F Street, S.W., Automobile Inspection Station, and who lives at [REDACTED] Virginia, has been distributing National Association for Advancement of White People Literature.

[REDACTED] stated he ordered [REDACTED] to stop distributing this literature and he reported this information to [REDACTED] his supervisor.

Mr. Sullivan furnished the two attached pieces of literature that [REDACTED] was distributing and he advised that he does not have any other complaint to make concerning [REDACTED]

RECOMMENDATION:

That this memorandum and attachments be routed to the Domestic Intelligence Division for their information.

ATTACHMENTS (2)

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Rosen *fr*

DATE: 10/4/54

FROM : Mr. Price *AM*SUBJECT: RACIAL SEGREGATION IN PUBLIC
SCHOOLS, MILFORD, DELAWARE,
CIVIL RIGHTS

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On 10/1/54, while being contacted on another matter, Mr. A. B. Caldwell, Chief of the Civil Rights Section, furnished to SA [] of the Civil Rights Unit a memorandum regarding Bryant William Bowles, Jr. The memorandum reflects that according to the records of Baltimore City Criminal Court, Bowles was found guilty in 1954 of several charges involving failure to pay wages and false pretenses (bad checks). Mr. Caldwell advised that Bowles is the leader for the National Association for the Advancement of White People and had recently been active in Milford, Delaware, in connection with the protest against racial integration in the public schools. A copy of this memorandum is attached.

It is noted that the memorandum was prepared by [] [] was formerly an attorney in the Civil Rights Section in the Criminal Division. Mr. Caldwell advised that [] was presently working on the legal staff of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People in Washington, D. C. [] maintains his law office in Baltimore, Maryland, and also works in the offices of the legal staff of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People in Washington, D. C.

The above is submitted for your information.

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Attachment

cc: Mr. Nichols
Mr. Belmont
Mr. Harbo

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Memorandum

From:

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Re: Bryant William Bowles, Jr.

On September 28, 1954, I checked the records of the Criminal Court of Baltimore City on the above individual.

Indictment #501/53 (January term, 1953) charged Bowles with larceny after trust of \$5,000. The complaining witness was Edward W. Erickson. On August 18, 1953, he entered a guilty plea. On August 19, 1953, he withdrew this plea and Judge Moser struck out the verdict of guilty and postponed trial. On June 18, 1954, he was found not guilty by Judge Manley.

Indictment #1952/53 charged Bowles with false pretenses. This was filed on May 4, 1953. On August 18, 1953, he entered a plea of guilty, then withdrew the plea on August 19, 1953. On June 18, 1954, he was found guilty before Judge Manley and on July 27, 1954, he was sentenced to one year in the Maryland House of Correction. Sentence was suspended generally on good behavior and on condition he make restitution. The complaining witness in this case was Charles F. Fosqua.

Five indictments were filed against Bowles on June 4, 1953, three charging him with failure to pay wages and two with false pretenses. After withdrawing guilty pleas, as in the other cases, he was found guilty by Judge Manley on all five counts on June 18, 1954. He was fined \$20.00 and costs on each count.

The false pretenses counts apparently were the result of passing bad checks. Complaining witnesses were John Gray and Louis A. Plummer. Complaining witnesses in the wage cases were John P. Cantt, John Staler, and Timothy Mitchell.

Mr. Bowles was represented in all cases by William J. O'Donnell.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
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NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF WHITE PEOPLE. 15-X
THOMAS J. GIBBONS, COMMISSIONER, PHILADELPHIA PD, TELEPHONICALLY ADVISED THAT HE HAD RECEIVED INQUIRY FROM ASSOCIATED PRESS, WHO STATED THEY HAD RECEIVED INFORMATION FROM THEIR BALTIMORE OFFICE TO EFFECT BRYANT BOLES, HEAD OF THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF WHITE PEOPLE, HAD MADE REMARK HE PLANNED TO COME TO PH IN IMMEDIATE FUTURE, POSSIBLY THIS DATE. PURPOSE OF VISIT WAS REPORTEDLY TO CONFER WITH GIBBONS OR OTHER HIGH POLICE OFFICIAL. GIBBONS SAID HE HAS NO SUCH CONFERENCE SCHEDULED AND HAS NEVER HAD ANY CONTACT FROM BOLES. THE COMMISSIONER CHECKED WITH OTHER HIGH POLICE OFFICIALS AND RECEIVED NO INFO INDICATING BOLES HAD REQUESTED CONFERENCE. HE ADVISES HE WILL IMMEDIATELY INFORM THIS OFFICE OF ANY FURTHER INFO. IF BUREAU OR INTERESTED OFFICES RECEIVE ANY INFO INDICATING BOLES COMING TO PH, PLEASE ADVISE.

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Mr. Tolson

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CC: 80-100 Special Agent in Charge

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : The Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

DATE: October 10, 1954

FROM : Warren Olney III, Assistant Attorney General
Criminal DivisionSUBJECT: National Association for Advancement
of White People, Incorporated
Internal Security - X

Mr. Tolson	_____
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146-1-23-1426

WO:ABC:FM

Reference is made to the report of [redacted] made on July 1, 1954, concerning the above-named organization and its president, Bryant W. Bowles.

It is requested that the Bureau determine whether or not the Bryant W. Bowles, Jr., who represents himself as president of the above-named organization, is the same Bryant W. Bowles, Jr., named in Indictment No. 501 of the General Term 1953, filed in the State Court in Baltimore, Maryland, and on which a verdict of not guilty was returned by Judge Manley on June 18, 1954.

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It is also requested that the same information be secured concerning Indictment No. 1952, charging one Bryant W. Bowles with false pretenses. This indictment was filed on May 4, 1953, and it appears Bowles was found guilty by Judge Manley on July 27, 1954; sentenced to one year in the Maryland House of Corrections, but thereafter the sentence was suspended generally on good behavior and on condition he make restitution. From the records of this case, it is suggested that the complaining witness, Charles F. Posqua, be interviewed to secure the facts concerning the complaint.

It is further requested that the records of Judge Manley's Court be examined in connection with any other indictments concerning the above-named subject since it appears that Bowles was found guilty by Judge Manley on June 18 of five charges of false pretenses and sentenced to \$25.00 fine.

Any other information available in the records of the Baltimore courts concerning arrests or convictions of subject Bowles should be included in this report.

In view of subject Bowles' activities in the demonstrations in Milford, Delaware, and other incidents growing out of the desegregation of the public schools, copies of this report should be forwarded to the Civil Rights Section as soon as completed.

AAG
Letter to Olney
enclosing
ICC report
of SA [redacted]
dated 10-11-54
at Baltimore
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Assistant Attorney General
Warren Olney III

October 8, 1954

Director, FBI

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT
OF WHITE PEOPLE, INCORPORATED
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Reference is made to your memorandum dated October 6, 1954, your file reference 146-1-23-1426, NO:ABC:FIN, requesting the Bureau to determine whether or not the Bryant W. Bowles, Jr., who represents himself as President of the captioned organization is identical with the Bryant W. Bowles, Jr., named in various indictments filed in the State Court, Baltimore, Maryland. This memorandum suggested that Charles F. Pasqua be interviewed to secure the facts concerning his complaint against Bowles as reflected in Indictment Number 1952.

Our Baltimore Office has advised that the records of the Criminal Court, Baltimore, Maryland, contain the following information concerning one Bryant W. Bowles, Jr.

Indictment Number 2411 through Indictment Number 2415 charge Bowles with offenses in February and May, 1953, involving the obtaining of funds through false pretense and failure to pay for services rendered. Bowles was arraigned on April 27, 1954, at which time he pleaded nolle contendere. Bowles was found guilty on June 16, 1954, and fined \$25 and costs on each of these indictments. In most cases, the fraud was accomplished by Bowles through checks drawn on the Fidelity Trust Company of Baltimore, Maryland, wherein insufficient funds were available to meet payment.

Indictment Number 1205 charges Bowles with failure to pay for services in March, 1953. Bowles was arraigned on this charge on March 27, 1953, at which time he pleaded not guilty. Bowles was adjudged guilty and sentence was suspended. Bowles was required to post the bond.

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Indictment Number 1952 was handed down by the Grand Jury in Baltimore, Maryland, on May 4, 1953, charging on the first count that in February, 1953, using false pretenses, Bowles obtained from Charles F. Pasqua the sum of \$75. The second count of this indictment charged Bowles with the writing of a fraudulent check. Bowles was arraigned on April 27, 1954, at which time he pleaded not guilty. The verdict of guilty was handed down on June 18, 1954, and sentence was suspended pending a new trial. Bowles was released on bail of \$1,500. On June 27, 1954, Bowles was sentenced to serve one year at the Maryland House of Correction, which sentence was suspended because of general good behavior and Bowles' promise of restitution.

Indictment Number 501 which was filed on February 9, 1953, charged that on October 11, 1953, ^{b7C} Bowles feloniously and fraudulently converted to his own use \$5,000 entrusted to him by Edward W. Erickson, that he did steal and feloniously carry away \$5,000, the property of Edward W. Erickson, and that such \$5,000 was taken by false pretenses. A verdict of guilty was handed down on August 8, 1953, and on August 19, 1953, a new trial was ordered. The case was reheard on April 27, 1954, and the original verdict was held *coram vobis*. On June 18, 1954, Bowles was adjudged not guilty.

Charles F. Pasqua, [redacted] was interviewed on October 7, 1954. Photographs of Bryant W. Bowles, which appeared in Delaware newspapers relative to the National Association for the Advancement of White People, were exhibited to Pasqua. Pasqua stated that these photographs were identical with the Bryant W. Bowles, Jr., defendant in the afore-mentioned indictments.

Pasqua stated that his case against Bowles centered around a check made payable to the order of Bowles, which check was signed and endorsed by Bowles. The endorsement on this check by Bowles was made in the presence of Pasqua at his place of business.

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Pasqua stated that he had accepted the check in payment for services rendered to Bowles. According to Pasqua, this check was adjudged fraudulent at the trial in that there was an intent to obtain funds by false pretense due to the manner in which the endorsement was made. Pasqua advised that he received restitution from Bowles in September, 1954.

Any additional pertinent information received in connection with this matter will be furnished to you promptly.

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Assistant Attorney General
Warren Olney III

October 19, 1954

Director, FBI

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**NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT
OF WHITE PEOPLE, INCORPORATED
INTERNAL SECURITY - X
FBI File 105-18807**

APPROPRIATE AGENCIES

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Reference is made to your memorandum dated
October 6, 1954, regarding the captioned organization,
your file reference 148-1-23-1426, WO:ABG:FIN.

Reference is also made to my memorandum
dated October 8, 1954, which contained the results of
a review of the records of the Criminal Court,
Baltimore, Maryland, concerning one Bryant W. Bowles, Jr.

There is enclosed for your information one
copy of the report of Special Agent [redacted]
dated October 11, 1954, at Baltimore, Maryland, which
contains the details of the various indictments filed
against Bowles in the Criminal Court, Baltimore,
Maryland.

Any additional pertinent information received
in connection with this matter will be furnished to you
promptly.

Enclosure

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

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REPORT MADE AT BALTIMORE	DATE WHEN MADE 10-11-54	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 10/7,8,11/54	REPORT MADE BY [redacted] /ers
TITLE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF WHITE PEOPLE, INCORPORATED			CHARACTER OF CASE INTERNAL SECURITY - X

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Criminal record showing indictments and convictions on charges of false pretenses in 1953 and 1954 at Baltimore, Md. of one BRYANT W. BOWLES, JR. identified by CHARLES F. PASQUA, plaintiff, as being identical to BRYANT W. BOWLES, President, NAAWP, set out. BOWLES arrested Harrington, Delaware Airport, 10/10/54, charged with conspiracy to interfere with public school system of Delaware. Warrants also named other officers of NAAWP.

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DETAILS:

This investigation is predicated upon information contained in numerous newspaper articles that BRYANT W. BOWLES, President of the National Association for the Advancement of White People, Incorporated, hereinafter referred to as the NAAWP, had been arrested and convicted in Baltimore, Maryland.

Records of the Criminal Court, Court House, Baltimore, Maryland, produced by the Clerk of the Court on October 7, 1954, contained the following record of indictments and dispositions:

cc to RAG Olney
by letter 12-13-54

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Indictment #2411

Charges BRYANT W. BOWLES, JR. with false pretenses in that he did obtain from JOHN P. GNATT, [redacted] Maryland, certain labor and services amounting to a value of \$36.00 on February 13, 1953. BOWLES was arraigned on April 27, 1954, pleaded nolo contendere, and was tried by Court on June 18, 1954, found guilty and fined \$25.00 and costs.

Indictment #2412

Charges that BOWLES on May 24, 1953 did with intent to defraud and cheat, fail to pay [redacted] Baltimore, Maryland, \$48.00 for services. BOWLES was arraigned on April 27, 1954, pleaded nolo contendere, and was found guilty at a Court trial on June 16, 1954 and fined \$25.00 plus costs.

Indictment #2413

Charges BOWLES with intent to defraud and cheat by reason of failure to pay TIMOTHY MITCHELL, [redacted] Baltimore, Maryland, \$45.00 for services on April 18, 1953. BOWLES was arraigned on April 27, 1954, pleaded nolo contendere, and was found guilty by the Court on June 18, 1954 and fined \$25.00 and costs.

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Indictment #2414

Contains three counts charging BOWLES with (1) on February 27, 1953 by false pretense did obtain from LOUIS A. PLUMMER, [redacted] Baltimore, Maryland, certain labor in the construction and the repair of a certain building of value equal to \$71.22; (2) did cheat and defraud said PLUMMER by check drawn on the Fidelity Trust Company of Baltimore, Maryland, said bank not being indebted to BOWLES; and (3) did defraud said PLUMMER by failing on promises to pay wages. BOWLES was arraigned April 27, 1954, pleaded nolo contendere, was found guilty by the Court on June 18, 1954, and fined \$25.00 and costs on the three counts.

Indictment #2415

Contains three counts charging BOWLES with (1) on February 20, 1953 by false pretense did obtain from JOHN GRAY, [redacted] Baltimore, Maryland, certain labor in the

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construction and the repair of a certain building of value equal to \$71.22; (2) did cheat and defraud said GRAY by check drawn on the Fidelity Trust Company of Baltimore, Maryland, said bank not being indebted to BOWLES; and (3) did defraud said GRAY by failing on promises to pay wages. BOWLES was arraigned April 27, 1954, pleaded nolo contendere, was found guilty by the Court on June 18, 1954, and fined \$25.00 and costs on the three counts.

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Indictment #1205

Charges that on March 16, 1953, BOWLES did defraud and cheat by failing to pay for services, one HARRY HUGELMEYER, [redacted] Baltimore, Maryland, of \$46.61. BOWLES was arraigned on March 27, 1953, pleaded not guilty, verdict was rendered guilty, sentence was suspended and BOWLES required to pay the costs.

Indictment #1952

Contains two counts charging BOWLES with (1) obtaining from one CHARLES F. PASQUA, c/o The Maryland Bar and Restaurant, 1417 Maryland Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland, \$73.00 by false pretenses, and (2) intent to cheat and defraud CHARLES F. PASQUA by check drawn on the Fidelity Trust Company of Baltimore, that bank not being indebted to BOWLES. BOWLES was arraigned on April 27, 1954, pleaded not guilty and on June 18, 1954, the Court rendered a verdict of guilty and suspended sentence pending the outcome of a new trial motion. BOWLES was released on bail of \$1500.00. On July 24, 1954, a new trial was denied, BOWLES was sentenced to one year in the Maryland House of Correction, which sentence was suspended by reason of general good behavior and upon promise of restitution.

Indictment #501

Contains three counts charging larceny at trust in that (1) BOWLES did on October 11, 1952, feloniously and fraudulently convert to his own use \$5000.00 entrusted to him by EDWARD W. ERICKSON; (2) did steal and feloniously carry away \$5000.00 in goods and money, the property of EDWARD W. ERICKSON; and (3) did take \$5000.00 by false pretenses.

BOWLES pleaded not guilty to these three counts and on August 18, 1953, was adjudged guilty by Court trial. On August 19, 1953, the verdict of guilty was stricken from the record and a new trial ordered. The case was retried on April 27, 1954, at which time BOWLES again pleaded not guilty and on June 18, 1954, BOWLES was found not guilty on the above three counts. b7c

The Court records reflect that EDWARD W. ERICKSON resides at [redacted] Long Island, New York, and that one JAMES M. BROOKS, [redacted] Brooklyn, New York, was a witness. The record reflects that above action was based upon a personal note, dated October 28, 1952, given to ERICKSON by BOWLES, upon receipt of a \$5000.00 deposit. Judgment on this note was obtained in the Superior Court of Baltimore, Maryland, on March 26, 1953. Following BOWLES' indictment, he entered into an agreement with ERICKSON's attorneys to pay \$1000.00 per week, commencing March 16, 1953 until such time as the full amount would have been repaid. The records contained a letter dated April 30, 1954, from ERICKSON's attorneys, SHERBOW & SHERBOW, 1316 Munsey Building, Baltimore, Maryland, reflecting that BOWLES never kept his agreement to repay ERICKSON and that no payments had been received from him since that time.

Mr. CHARLES F. PASQUA, [redacted] Baltimore, Maryland, part owner and manager, The Maryland Bar and Restaurant, 1417 Maryland Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland, on October 7, 1954 identified photographs of BRYANT W. BOWLES, President of NAAWP, appearing in various Delaware newspapers, as being identical with the BRYANT W. BOWLES, JR., mentioned in the indictment in which he was the plaintiff and also the other indictments listed above, which indictments were tried at Court at the same time.

With respect to his complaint against BOWLES, PASQUA stated that on the 28th of February, 1953, BOWLES and a party were in The Maryland Bar and Restaurant, and received certain services. For payment, BOWLES gave a check made payable to BRYANT W. BOWLES, signed by BRYANT W. BOWLES, and endorsed by BRYANT W. BOWLES, payable to a Mr. FRENCH, whose first name PASQUA was unable to furnish, for cashing. PASQUA accepted this check for \$73.00, giving BOWLES the difference between the amount of the check and the service.

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According to PASQUA while he was at fault for cashing an improperly endorsed check, the Judge in finding BOWLES guilty had stated that due to the manner in which BOWLES had endorsed this check, an intent to defraud was clear. With respect to Mr. FRENCH, PASQUA advised that he was one of Mr. BOWLES' friends or associates and that he had learned from BOWLES that FRENCH had embezzled money from BOWLES and absconded.

PASQUA advised that he received restitution from BOWLES' attorney, whose name he could not recall approximately one month ago.

The Delaware State Police advised that BRYANT W. BOWLES was arrested at 2:30 p.m. on October 10, 1954, at the Harrington, Delaware Airport on charges in Kent and Sussex Counties, Delaware, charging "conspiracy with diverse persons to violate the school attendance laws of Delaware" and "conspiracy with diverse persons to interfere with the public school system of Delaware." These warrants also named CHARLES WEST, Vice-President, Mrs. MILDRED SHARP, Secretary-Treasurer, and the Reverend WARRINGTON, former President, all officers of the Delaware branch of the NAAWP.

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ADMINISTRATIVE PAGE

Copies of this report are being designated for information purposes to Memphis & Philadelphia, inasmuch as the NAAWP has been reported active or plans to become active in those areas. A copy is designated for New York for informational purposes inasmuch as investigation may be requested of them at a later date.

LEADS:

THE BALTIMORE DIVISION

AT BALTIMORE, MARYLAND

Will report the activities of the NAAWP and BRYANT W. BOWLES in this area.

AT DOVER, DELAWARE

Will follow the activities of the NAAWP and BRYANT W. BOWLES in the Delaware area and will follow prosecution of BOWLES and other NAAWP officers.

REFERENCES: Bureau teletype, dated 10/6/54 and Baltimore teletypes, dated 10/7/54 and 10/10/54.

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NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR ADVANCEMENT OF WHITE PEOPLE INC., IS-X.

PRETEXT TELEPHONE CALL TO OFFICES OF ABOVE ORGANIZATION, 1319 F

STREET, N. W., THIS DATE ELICITED INFORMATION THAT BRYANT W. BOWLES,

PRESIDENT OF NAAWP, IS PRESENTLY IN DELAWARE, WHERE HE IS TO CONDUCT

A MEETING THIS EVENING, OCTOBER 11. ACCORDING TO NAAWP OFFICE, NO

MEETINGS ARE SCHEDULED IN WASH., D. C., OR NEARBY MARYLAND OR VIRGINIA

AREAS IN IMMEDIATE FUTURE. NO MEETING SPECIFICALLY THIS DATE.

INQUIRIES CONCERNING HOME ADDRESS OF BOWLES DURING ABOVE PRETEXT

CALL ONLY BROUGHT FORTH FACT BOWLES RESIDES IN VIRGINIA. EFFORTS

TO LOCATE BOWLES' HOME ADDRESS THROUGH LOCAL POLICE DEPARTMENTS,

CREDIT BUREAU, GAS AND LIGHT COMPANIES, MEMBERS OF NAAWP, POST

OFFICES AND TELEPHONE COMPANY HAVE BEEN UNFRUITFUL TO DATE. EFFORTS

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False-Pretense Record Found In Police Checkup on Bowles

Delaware state police today disclosed that William B. Bowles of Arlington, Va., who has been one of the leading anti-integration exponents in Sussex County, has a police record in Baltimore.

They said Bowles has also been arrested in Tampa, Fla., and Bel Air, Md., but was not convicted in either city.

Mr. Bowles is president of the National Association for the Advancement of White People, which for the past two weeks has been seeking to enroll members in Sussex County. The membership fees range from \$5 for an ordinary one-year subscription to \$50 for a "gold card."

In making public their findings on Mr. Bowles, state police made it clear that they were not interested in his past record from a law enforcement standpoint, but felt that the citizens of Delaware should be aware of his past activities.

The Baltimore convictions included five charges of false pretense, involving bogus checks.

Text of Statement

The state police statement follows in full:

"The state police conducted a routine investigation on William



William B. Bowles

Bryand Bowles, 34, of 5700 Tenth Road North, Arlington, Va.; Mr. Bowles is president of the National Association for the Advancement of White People, with offices at 1319 F Street, N. W., Washington, D. C. His wife is the former E. Lois Will-

ford, and is secretary and treasurer of the corporation. Joseph Danes of Hartly, Del., is the vice president. He had held that office since July 22, 1954.

"The state police conducted the investigation of Mr. Bowles in the public interest and for the public protection, in view of the prominent part he is taking in the organization of an NAAWP group in Sussex County. Because of the many addresses made by Mr. Bowles and the number of contributions accepted by him, state police believe the people of Delaware deserve to know his background.

"The investigation revealed the following facts about Mr. Bowles:

Five Check Charges

"He was arrested by the Baltimore city police on May 12, 1953, on five charges of false pretense. Disposition of these cases indicates that he was fined \$25 and costs on each charge. At the time of his arrest in the city of Baltimore, he was wanted in Tampa, Fla., in connection with bogus checks.

"Authorities at Tampa, Fla., later advised Baltimore that

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restitution had been made in their cases and that Bowles was no longer wanted there.

"Warrants were also on file in the sheriff's office at Bel Air, Md., on two counts. Bowles was turned over to the sheriff of Harford County and on April 1, 1954, the charges were nolle prossed by the state's attorney's office. At the time of his difficulty in Baltimore, Mr. Bowles was an officer and part owner of the Bryant Roofing Company, and is alleged to have paid wages to some employees of the firm with bad checks.

"State police pointed out that they have no particular interest in Bowles' past except that it will acquaint the citizens of Delaware with his past activities."

Application Forms

Application forms of the NAAWP list four types of membership. These are: One year, \$5; three years, \$12; silver card, \$25, and gold card, \$50. Membership includes 24 issues annually of "The National Forum," a group publication.

The card says "This is a non-profit organization, legally incorporated under the state laws of Delaware, governed by a board of directors, no member of which receives any compensation for their services. Only officers devoting full time receive small salaries. Part-time employees donate their services gratis. Members or persons assisting in a membership drive receive no compensation for their services.

"Funds will be used as outlined: Educational purposes and to lobby in Congress; the NAAWP will endeavor to elect politicians who stand for separation of The Races of Mankind, and to defeat all others; \$2 of each membership fee will be used to publish 'The National Forum,' a fortnightly publication sent to all members."

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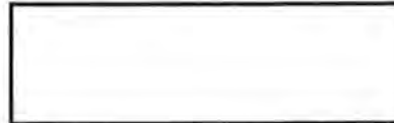
Blackbird, Townsend, Del.,
10-1-54

Dear Edgar Hoover,

Wouldn't it be well to look up this
man? Possibly he's a Communist dis em i n a t o r of the
1st water! He's certainly making a MUX in Milford!

Sincerely

/s/



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Townsend, Delaware

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Dear Mrs. Roberts:

Your letter dated October 1, 1954, with enclosures, has been received, and it was indeed thoughtful of you to bring the matter you mentioned to my attention.

In the event you require further data which you believe to be of interest to the FBI, please feel free to contact the representatives of our office located at 408 U. S. Post Office Building, Baltimore 2, Maryland.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
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cc - Baltimore, with copy of incoming

ATTENTION SAC: Correspondent enclosed clippings relating to William B. Bowles, president of the National Association For the Advancement of White People.

Bufiles do not reflect that this group is communist infiltrated or controlled, but numerous inquiries and complaints have been received recently concerning its activities.

cc - Washington Field Office, with copy of incoming

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NOTE: The NAACP the subject of Bufile 100-8867. A digest of newspaper articles and literature published by the group indicates that it is a non-profit corporation incorporated under the laws of the State of Delaware. National offices are maintained at 1319 F Street, Northwest, Washington, D. C.

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NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF WHITE PEOPLE; IS - X.
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QUOTING PHILADELPHIA DISTRICT ATTORNEY RICHARDSON DILWORTH AS STATING
BRYANT W. BOWLES WILL BE PROMPTLY ARRESTED FOR INCITING TO RIOT IF HE
PURSUES IN PHILADELPHIA THE TACTICS HE ATTEMPTED IN MILFORD, DELAWARE,
BALTIMORE AND WASHINGTON. POLICE COMMISSIONER THOMAS J. GIBBONS REPORTED
IN SAME ITEM TO HAVE ANNOUNCED THAT HE "SUBSCRIBED ENTIRELY" TO DILWORTH'S
POSITION. GIBBONS ADDED THAT ANY MEETING THAT BOWLES MIGHT ADDRESS HERE
WOULD BE CAREFULLY POLICED. [] ADVISED THIS DATE THAT W. HENRY
MAC FARLAND, JR., TOLD SOURCE HE HAD BEEN IN TELEPHONIC CONTACT WITH
BOWLES AT WASHINGTON PHONE # NATIONAL 8-8487, AND HAD TOLD BOWLES THE

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CC: 105-425 [W. HENRY MAC FARLAND, JR.]
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NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF WHITE PEOPLE

IS-X. DAYLET, DETECTIVE [REDACTED] METROPOLITAN POLICE DEPARTMENT, ADVISED TODAY THAT HE HAD RECEIVED INFORMATION TO THE EFFECT THAT BRYANT W. BOWLES, JR., CONTEMPLATES HOLDING A MASS MEETING IN EITHER ARLINGTON OR ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA, ON THE NIGHT OF OCTOBER 11, 1954. MEETING IS FOR

THE PARENTS OF WHITE SCHOOL CHILDREN IN THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA. [REDACTED] ADVISED PLACE AND DETAILS AS WELL AS TIME OF MEETING NOT KNOWN AT THIS TIME. [REDACTED] STATED THAT HE PLANS ON ATTENDING MEETING AND WILL INFORM WFO AS TO WHAT TRANSPIRED. [REDACTED] STATED DEPUTY CHIEF IN CHARGE OF CIVIL DISTURBANCES [REDACTED] HAD INFORMED BOWLES THAT HE COULD HOLD NO SUCH MEETING IN WASHINGTON, D. C., AND FOR THIS REASON MEETING BEING HELD IN VIRGINIA. [REDACTED] STATES NO UNUSUAL INSTANCE NOTED TODAY AT D.C. SCHOOLS, ALTHOUGH ANACOSTIA APPEARED TO HAVE QUITE A FEW STUDENTS STILL AWAY FROM SCHOOL. WFO WILL CONTINUE TO KEEP THE BUREAU ADVISED AS TO WHAT TRANSPIRED CONCERNING THE MASS MEETING SCHEDULED FOR MONDAY NIGHT. IN VIEW OF RACIAL QUESTION, WACB, WFO DOES NOT PLAN TO HAVE AGENT COVERAGE AT MASS MEETING.

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Transmit the following ~~Teletype~~ message to:

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AMERICAN FLAG COMMITTEE WAS "ALL FOR HIM." BOWLES INDICATED HE HAD NO IMMEDIATE OR DEFINITE PLANS FOR A PHILADELPHIA CHAPTER OF NAAWP, BUT WANTED TO COME TO PHILADELPHIA SOON IN ORDER TO FORM A CHAPTER. HE SAID HE HAS NOT YET MET WITH INTERESTED PERSONS IN PHILADELPHIA. ACCORDING TO [] BOWLES TOLD MAC FARLAND THAT "MR. SEDDIN OF LULU TEMPLE," PHILADELPHIA, IS HIS CONTACT IN PHILADELPHIA AND PERSON THROUGH WHOM HE WILL MAKE ANY ARRANGEMENTS FOR PHILADELPHIA CHAPTER. (LULU TEMPLE IS MASONIC TEMPLE, 313 SOUTH BROAD STREET, AND DISCREET INQUIRY REVEALED NO [] KNOWN THERE. ANOTHER SOURCE SUGGESTED NAME OF [] MEDICAL ARTS BUILDING, PHILADELPHIA, WHO IS A MEMBER LULU TEMPLE, AS BEARING CLOSEST PHONETIC RESEMBLANCE TO [] AMONG TEMPLE MEMBERS. INDICES NEGATIVE BOTH NAMES.) BOWLES PROMISED TO KEEP MAC FARLAND ADVISED, IN ADVANCE, OF ANY NAAWP PLANS FOR PHILADELPHIA. MAC FARLAND PROMISED TO KEEP [] ADVISED, IN ADVANCE, OF SAME. LOCAL OFFICE OF G-2 HAS REQUESTED IT BE KEPT ABREAST OF DEVELOPMENTS IN PHILADELPHIA, AND PHILADELPHIA WILL DO SO WITH SUITABLE PARAPHRASING. END.

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BP NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR ADVANCEMENT OF WHITE PEOPLE, INC., *X.*
 FOR INFO BU IT HAS BEEN ASCERTAINED THAT BRYANT W. BOWLES, PRESIDENT,
 NAAWP, IS PRESENTLY RESIDING APT. 5, 5700 NORTH 10TH ROAD, ARLINGTON,
 VA. REPORT ON BOWLES AND PRESENT OFFICERS NAAWP BEING PREPARED. P.

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BRYANT W. BOWLES, INFO CONCERNING, BOB MC FANNA, REPORTER,
WILMINGTON MORNING NEWS, WHO IS REPRESENTING HIS NEWSPAPER AT
MILFORD, DEL., IN CONNECTION WITH DISTURBANCE GROWING OUT OF
INTEGRATION OF WHITE AND NEGRO STUDENTS AT MILFORD SCHOOLS, *McFanna*
CONTACTED THIS OFFICE BY TELEPHONE TODAY AND REQUESTED INFO
CONCEPNING QUOTE ANY RECORD OF BOWLES IN FBI FILES UNQUOTE.
CONFIDENTIAL CHARACTER FBI FILES EXPLAINED. HE STATED APPARENTLY HE
OULD HAVE TO CONTACT A. G. FOR INFO.

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Mr. Belmont

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. L. V. Boardman

DATE: October 4, 1954

FROM : Mr. A. H. Belmont

SUBJECT: NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF WHITE PEOPLE
BRYANT W. BOWLES, JR., PRESIDENT
INTERNAL SECURITY - X

Tolson	✓
Boardman	✓
Nichols	✓
Belmont	✓
Harbo	✓
Mohr	✓
Parsons	✓
Rosen	✓
Tamm	✓
Sizoo	✓
Winterrowd	✓
Tele. Room	✓
Holloman	✓
Gandy	✓

In connection with an undated Associated Press article regarding Bryant Bowles, President of the National Association for the Advancement of White People (NAAWP) who is leading a fight against integration of white and Negro students in Delaware, the Director commented "What do our files show on this man and on association he leads? H." In connection with a teletype from Baltimore dated October 1, 1954, stating a reporter of the "Wilmington Morning News" had requested information re Bowles from the Baltimore Office, the Director commented "Let me have a memo on Bowles. H."

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF WHITE PEOPLE

The NAAWP is the subject of a current Internal Security - X investigation in which Washington Field is office of origin. The initial report on the NAAWP dated July 1, 1954, at Washington, D. C., has been furnished to the Department and the intelligence agencies of the Armed Services.

The headquarters of the NAAWP is located at 1319 F Street, Northwest, Washington, D. C. The NAAWP was incorporated under the laws of the State of Delaware on December 14, 1953. According to a brochure issued by the NAAWP its task is to advance and strengthen the culture of the white race. To this end the NAAWP purposes (1) "to organize all those white people who wish to carry on and further develop the essential and permanent characteristics of our culture as previously developed and handed down by our forebears," (2) "to help educate our people through a program of lectures, books, pamphlets, papers, etc., in the true value of their culture, ~~in~~ their political, economic, religious, social, moral, scientific, recreational, etc., institutions, and to point out the good which it will promote, the bad which it will stamp out and the mistakes which it will correct" and (3) "to secure the necessary legislation to effect the program of advancing and strengthening the culture of the white people." In addition, the NAAWP seeks to advance the white race by ensuring its right to associate with those of its own kind, if they so desire. The NAAWP believes in "the equal protection of the laws for all citizens, whether white or Negro, but does not understand by that the white people do not have the right to associate with one another."

cc - Mr. Rosen

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Rosen *R*

DATE: 10/7/54

FROM : Mr. Price *LP*SUBJECT: NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF WHITE PEOPLE
BRYANT W. BOWLES, JR., PRESIDENT
INTERNAL SECURITY-X

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Boardman ☒
Belmont ☒
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 Sizoo ☒
 Winterrowd ☒
Tele. Room ☒
Holloman ☒
Gandy ☒

Mr. A. B. Caldwell, Chief of the Civil Rights Section at 9:40 a.m., today, telephonically contacted Supervisor [] and asked if the Bureau could immediately make available to him any identification record concerning arrests of Bryant W. Bowles, Jr. Mr. Caldwell advised that there was an article in this morning's paper in which Bowles had admitted arrests in Baltimore and that he desired to obtain any identification record under the name of Bryant W. Bowles, Jr. the Bureau had as he was to be called into a conference to brief the Attorney General on Bowles and the National Association for the Advancement of White People, this morning.

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Investigation was requested by the Department by memorandum dated October 6, 1954, to determine whether or not Bowles was arrested in Baltimore for various larceny charges.

The Bureau does have an identification record on one Bryant W. Bowles, Jr., under FBI 4968033.

ACTION TAKEN

This information was furnished to Supervisor Thau of the Domestic Intelligence Division for appropriate action.

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cc Mr. Belmont
Mr. Tamm

SP. 11/10/54
I will want to know about this before anything is done in the Dept.

12 OCT 19 1954

The NAAWP "recognizes that the Negro, an American citizen, is entitled to these same rights and it will also be ready to assist the Negro in his fight for these rights." The NAAWP "is not motivated by prejudice, bigotry or hatred; nor are its policies Un-American, un-democratic or Un-Christian." The NAAWP "is a law abiding association recognizing the authority of and adhering to the Constitution; also, the Federal, State and local laws in their respective jurisdictions." NAAWP membership fee is \$2 per year. The "Washington Evening Star" for February 18, 1954, related that according to Bowles membership in the NAAWP doubled since January, 1954, when its membership was 3,000.

BRYANT W. BOWLES, JR.

Regarding Bowles, U. S. Marine Corps records reflect he was born March 4, 1920, at Alfred, Florida. He served as a private in the Marine Corps from October 23, 1939, until November 14, 1945, when he was honorably discharged. Bowles re-enlisted in the Marine Corps on October 11, 1950, and was released from active duty on December 11, 1951. Bowles was absent without leave from the Marine Corps June 6, 1940, to June 11, 1940, for which he was confined for 10 days and fined \$7 a month for two months. On November 11, 1951, while a patient at the Rodriguez Army Hospital, Puerto Rico, Bowles wrote a check for \$50 on the Columbia Bank, Ybor City, Tampa, Florida, which was returned marked "no account." These files reflect Bowles is still indebted to the Marine Corps for an over payment in the amount of \$917.80. All attempts to collect this over payment have been fruitless.

On October 1, 1954, A. B. Caldwell, Chief of the Civil Rights Section of the Department, furnished a memorandum regarding Bowles reflecting that according to the records of the Baltimore City Criminal Court Bowles was found guilty on June 18, 1954, of five charges involving failure to pay wages and false pretenses (bad checks). Bowles was fined \$25 and costs on each count. Bufile 87-10963 reflects that in 1949 the New Orleans Office received a complaint indicating Bowles had issued a check in the amount of \$30 which was returned to the complainant by the bank marked "account closed." This check traveled in interstate commerce; however, no investigation was conducted because there was no apparent violation of the National Stolen Property Act since Bowles used his true name in the issuance of this check.

The activities of Bowles and his NAAWP are being closely followed by the Domestic Intelligence Division.

RECOMMENDATION:

None. This is for your information.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. A. H. Belmont

FROM : Mr. F. J. Baumgardner

DATE: October 7, 1954

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SUBJECT: NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE
 ADVANCEMENT OF WHITE PEOPLE
 BRYANT W. BOWLES, JR., PRESIDENT
 INTERNAL SECURITY - X
 Bufile 105-18867

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Reference is made to the memorandum dated October 7, 1954, from Mr. Price to Mr. Rosen captioned as above advising that Mr. A. B. Caldwell, Chief of the Civil Rights Section of the Department, telephonically requested the Bureau to immediately make available to him any identification record concerning Bryant W. Bowles, Jr.

There is attached one copy of the identification record of one Bryant W. Bowles, Jr., under FBI number 4968033.

Copies of the report of Special Agent [redacted] dated October 4, 1954, at Washington, D. C., regarding the captioned organization have been received at the Bureau.

In view of the urgency of the request received from Mr. Caldwell, it is believed we should hand deliver a copy of Bowles' identification record as well as one copy of SA Lavin's report dated October 4, 1954, to Mr. Caldwell.

RECOMMENDATION:

If you approve, we will deliver by hand to Mr. Caldwell one copy of Bowles' identification record and one copy of the report dated October 4, 1954.

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This should not have been done before I was advised. I am entitled to know. I am getting complete and patience with the increasing disapproval in Belmont's office.

Hand delivered to Mr. Caldwell on 10/7/54. Advise the Dept. 4.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

OCT 7 1954

J. Edgar Hoover
Director

The following FBI record, NUMBER **4 968 033**, is furnished FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY.

CONTRIBUTOR OF FINGERPRINTS	NAME AND NUMBER	ARRESTED OR RECEIVED	CHARGE	DISPOSITION
Marine	Bryant William Bowles Jr. #276 129	enlisted October 23 1939		
Police Department Albany New York	Bryant William Bowles #20601	October 13 1947	fugitive	adjudged and committed October 15 1947. October 23 1947 investigation withdrawn defendant discharged
State Police Troy New York	Bryant William Bowles Jr. #--	October 13 1947	fugitive from State of Florida violation Title 18 Section 823 CCP	
Albany County Jail and Penitentiary Watervliet New York	Bryant William Bowles. #AC-4269	October 15 1947	fugitive	
Sheriff's Office Tampa Florida	Bryant W. Bowles Jr. #36113	September 18 1948	worthless checks	
Police Department Baltimore Maryland	William Bryant Bowles Jr. #82-550	May 12 1953	false pretense	May 18 1953 dismissed
Sheriff's Office Bel Air Maryland	Bryant William Bowles #9829	September 21 1953	false pretense	April 1 1954 case declared nolle prossed by State's Attorney and released

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DATE 11-12-82 BY [redacted]

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

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OCT 7 1954

J. Edgar Hoover
Director

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CONTRIBUTOR OF FINGERPRINTS	NAME AND NUMBER	ARRESTED OR RECEIVED	CHARGE	DISPOSITION
*	WANTED: As Bryant W Bowles for forgery. Notify Sheriff's Office Tampa Florida per information received therefrom January 16, 1949.			
	NO LONGER WANTED: Bryant W. Bowles cancelled per information received on wire Sheriff's Office Tampa Florida October 29 1953.			
*	Bryant William Bowles Jr. #82-550 Police Department Baltimore Maryland May 12 1953 5 cases bogus checks and fail to pay labor costs January 10 1954 not guilty in failure to pay labor costs found guilty in bogus checks - fined \$25 and costs in each case.			

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IS DASH X. BKFILE ONE ZERO FIVE DASH ONE EIGHT EIGHT SIX SEVEN.
WFO FILE ONE HUNDRED DASH TWO SIX THREE FIVE SIX, REBUTEL
OCTOBER SIX LAST. REGARDING BRYANT W. BOWLES, JR., RECORDS
CRIMINAL COURT BA REFLECT SEVERAL INDICTMENTS RETURNED BY
GRAND JURY CHARGING BOWLES WITH THE OBTAINING OF FUNDS THROUGH
FALSE PRETENSE AND FAILURE TO PAY FOR SERVICES RENDERED. THESE
INDICTMENTS ARE TWO FOUR ONE ONE THROUGH TWO FOUR ONE FIVE,
CHARGING OFFENSES IN FEBRUARY AND MAY, FIFTYTHREE AND FOR WHICH
BOWLES WAS ARRAIGNED ON APRIL TWENTY SEVEN, FIFTYFOUR, PLEADING
NOLLE CONTENDERE. BOWLES WAS FOUND GUILTY ON JUNE SIXTEEN, LAST,
FINED TWENTYFIVE DOLLARS AND COSTS ON EACH OF THE INDICTMENTS. IN
MOST CASES, THE FRAUD WAS ACCOMPLISHED BY BOWLES THROUGH CHECKS
DRAWN ON THE FIDELITY TRUST CO. OF BALTO., MD., WHEREIN NOT
SUFFICIENT FUNDS WERE AVAILABLE TO MEET PAYMENT. INDICTMENT
NUMBER ONE TWO ZERO FIVE CHARGES BOWLES WITH FAILURE TO PAY FOR
SERVICES IN MARCH, FIFTYTHREE. ON THIS CHARGE BOWLES WAS
ARRAIGNED ON MARCH TWENTYSEVEN, FIFTYTHREE, PLEADED NOT GUILTY, WAS

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Rosen **ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED**
 FROM : Mr. Price **DATE 2-11-82 BY SP8BJS/GO**
 SUBJECT: NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE
 ADVANCEMENT OF WHITE PEOPLE
 BRYANT W. BOWLES, JR., PRESIDENT
 INTERNAL SECURITY - X

October 7, 1954

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Mr. A. B. Caldwell, Chief, Civil Rights Section, Criminal Division, telephonically contacted Supervisor [] on the morning of October 7, 1954, and requested that a check be made in the Identification Division to determine if Sheriff Willis V. McCall of Lake County, Florida, has a criminal record. Mr. Caldwell advised that the Attorney General was interested in this matter.

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Mr. Caldwell mentioned that the October 7, 1954, issue of "The Washington Post and Times Herald," page 20, reflects a story concerning Bryant W. Bowles, president of the National Association for the Advancement of White People. The article mentioned that Bowles indicated that a number of sheriffs are members of his organization and he singled out for special attention Sheriff Willis McCall of Lake County, Florida. The article related that it was McCall who was imported into Milford, Delaware and presented as a special hero to the crowd protesting integration. Mr. Caldwell was advised that his request would be given appropriate attention.

[] Office in the Identification Division was contacted and requested to proceed with a name check to determine if Sheriff McCall has a criminal record.

For your information, Sheriff McCall has been the subject of four Civil Rights investigations, one of which entitled "Willis V. McCall; Samuel Shepherd, et al, Victims" received a great deal of publicity and resulted in a "no bill" being returned by a Federal Grand Jury at Jacksonville, Florida, on November 14, 1952.

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If approved, the results of the check by the Identification Division will be forwarded to the Criminal Division of the Department.

ADDENDUM - L. E. CONROY 12 OCT 1954

cc: Mr. Belmont
 Mr. Tamm
 Mr. Thau

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At 2:45 P.M., [] Identification Division, advised that no criminal record could be located for Sheriff McCall on the basis of identifying data available.

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Mr. A.B. Caldwell telephonically advised of this information 10-11-54 2:30 PM

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PASQUA WAS UNABLE TO FURNISH SPECIFIC DETAILS CONCERNING ENDORSEMENT^{b7C}
OR CONCERNING THE IDENTITY OF [REDACTED], WHOM HE STATED ACCORDING TO
BOWLES HAD ABSCONDED FOLLOWING AN EMBEZZLEMENT OF FUNDS FROM BOWLES.
MR. PASQUA STATED THAT HE HAD RECEIVED RESTITUTION FROM BOWLES
LAST MONTH. REPORT FOLLOWS.

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BY FALSE PRETENSES. A VERDICT OF GUILTY WAS HANDED DOWN ON AUGUST EIGHT, FIFTYTHREE, AND ON AUGUST NINETEEN, FIFTYTHREE, A NEW TRIAL WAS ORDERED. CASE WAS REHEARD ON APRIL TWENTYSEVEN, FIFTYFOUR^{FOUR}MUR. THE ORIGINAL VERDICT WAS HELD SUB CURIA AND ON JUNE EIGHTEEN, FIFTYFOUR, BOWLES WAS ADJUDGED NOT GUILTY. THE COURT RECORDS CONTAIN NO ADDITIONAL RECORD OF ARREST OR COURT PROCEEDINGS AGAINST BOWLES. MR. CHARLES F. PASQUA, SIX ONE ONE THREE MARIETTA AVE., BALTO., MD., WAS INTERVIEWED THIS DATE, AND PHOTOGRAPHS OF BRYANT W. BOWLES APPEARING IN DELAWARE NEWSPAPERS IN ARTICLES PERTAINING TO THE ABOVE CAPTIONED ORGANIZATION WERE EXHIBITED TO PASQUA, WHO ADVISED THAT THEY WERE IDENTICAL TO THE BOWLES, DEFENDANT IN THE ABOVE MENTIONED INDICTMENTS. PASQUA WAS UNABLE TO FURNISH SPECIFIC INFORMATION AND STATED THAT HIS CASE AGAINST BOWLES CENTERED AROUND A CHECK PAYABLE TO THE ORDER OF BOWLES, MADE BY BOWLES AND ENDORSED BY BOWLES. PAYABLE TO ONE FNU ENDORSEMENT BEING MADE IN THE PRESENCE OF PASQUA AT HIS PLACE OF BUSINESS, AND WHICH HE HAD ACCEPTED IN PAYMENT FOR SERVICES RENDERED BOWLES AND HIS PARTY. ACCORDING TO PASQUA, AT THE TRIAL THIS CHECK WAS ADJUDGED FRAUDULENT IN THAT THERE WAS AN INTENT TO OBTAIN FUNDS BY FALSE PRETENSE DUE TO THE MANNER IN WHICH THE ENDORSEMENT WAS MADE.

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* First name unknown.

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ADJUDGED GUILTY AND SENTENCE WAS SUSPENDED, BOWLES BEING
REQUIRED TO PAY THE COST. INDICTMENT ONE NINE FIVE TWO WAS HANDED DOWN
BY THE GRAND JURY ON MAY FOUR, FIFTYTHREE, CHARGING ON THE FIRST
COUNT THAT IN FEBRUARY, FIFTYTHREE USING FALSE PRETENSES, BOWLES
OBTAINED FROM CHARLES F. PASQUA THE SUM OF SEVENTY THREE DOLLARS,
THE SECOND COUNT OF THIS INDICTMENT CHARGED BOWLES WITH THE WRITING
OF A FRAUDULENT CHECK. BOWLES WAS ARRAIGNED ON APRIL TWENTY
SEVEN, FIFTYFOUR, PLEADED NOT GUILTY AND THE VERDICT OF GUILTY WAS
HANDED DOWN ON JUNE EIGHTEEN, FIFTYFOUR AND SENTENCE WAS
SUSPENDED PENDING A NEW TRIAL. BOWLES WAS RELEASED ON BAIL OF
FIFTEEN HUNDRED DOLLARS. ON JULY TWENTYSEVEN, FIFTYFOUR, BOWLES WAS
SENTENCED TO ONE YEAR IN THE HOUSE OF CORRECTION, WHICH SENTENCE WAS
SUSPENDED BECAUSE OF GENERAL GOOD BEHAVIOR AND PROMISE OF RESTITUTION
HAVING BEEN MADE. INDICTMENT FIVE ZERO ONE FILES ON FEBRUARY NINE,
FIFTYTHREE CHARGED THAT ON OCTOBER ELEVEN, FIFTYTWO, BOWLES
FELONIOUSLY AND FRAUDULENTLY CONVERTED TO HIS OWN USE FIVE THOUSAND
DOLLARS ENTRUSTED TO HIM BY EDWARD W. ERICKSON, THAT HE DID STEAL
AND FELONIOUSLY CARRY AWAY FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS, THE PROPERTY OF
EDWARD ERICKSON, AND THAT SUCH FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS WAS TAKEN
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FBI WASH FIELD

10/8/54 4:30 PM

DIRECTOR, FBI (105-18867) AND SAC, BALTIMORE (100-17756) URGENT

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR ADVANCEMENT OF WHITE PEOPLE INC., IS

DASH X. WASHINGTON EVENING STAR OCTOBER SEVEN FIFTY FOUR SETS

FORTH THAT BRYANT W. BOWLES PRESIDENT NAAWP INTENDS TO HOLD

RALLY AT GLEN BURNIE MD. SATURDAY OCTOBER EIGHT FIFTY FOUR.

WASHINGTON POST AND TIMES HERALD OCTOBER SEVEN FIFTY FOUR QUOTES

BOWLES AS SAYING OVER AND OVER QUOTE MY DAUGHTERS WILL NEVER

ATTEND A SCHOOL WITH NEGROES AS LONG AS THERE IS BREATH IN MY

BODY AND GUNPOWDER WILL BURN END QUOTE. BALTIMORE REQUESTED IF

POSSIBLE HAVE SOURCES COVER ABOVE RALLY AND REPORT NATURE OF

SPEECHES DELIVERED.

Mr. Belmont

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Rosen *RAM*

DATE: 10/8/54

FROM : Mr. Price *JP*

SUBJECT: NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE
ADVANCEMENT OF WHITE PEOPLE, INCORPORATED,
BRYANT W. BOWLES, PRESIDENT
INTERNAL SECURITY - X

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Mr. A. B. Caldwell, Chief of the Civil Rights Section of the Criminal Division, Department of Justice, at 4:11 P.M., 10/8/54, telephonically contacted SA [redacted] of the Civil Rights Unit. He said the Department would appreciate obtaining an up-to-date identification record on Bryant W. Bowles, Jr., based on any information developed during the course of the investigation of Bowles, requested by Departmental memorandum dated 10/6/54. * Mr. Caldwell advised he realized no up-to-date material could be obtained until the investigation was completed.

Mr. Caldwell advised the reason the Department desired an up-to-date identification record on Bowles was that the Department was committed to give an up-to-date identification record to Senator Williams of Delaware.

Mr. Caldwell was advised this matter would be checked into and he said that he appreciated it. Caldwell said he was going to submit a memorandum requesting this information.

Above for your information.

ACTION

A copy of this memorandum has been designated for the Domestic Intelligence Division as they are handling this case.

cc: Mr. Belmont
Mr. Nichols
Mr. Thau

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* Departmental memorandum requested investigation into criminal activity of Bowles in Baltimore, Maryland.

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NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF WHITE PEOPLE

TEL OCTOBER EIGHT LAST. BALTO SUN NEWSPAPER THIS DATE HAS ARTICLE REFLECTING DELAWARE GOVERNOR J. CALEB BOGG, AFTER A THOROUGH REVIEW TAPE RECORDINGS MADE OF SEGREGATION MEETINGS IN DELA., ORDERED ARREST OF BRYANT W. BOWLES, NAAWP HEAD, FOR ~~QUOTE~~ CONSPIRACY TO INTERRUPT THE EDUCATION OF CHILDREN IN DELA SCHOOLS ~~UNQUOTE~~. ARTICLE ALSO REFLECTS INTERNAL REVENUE AGENTS YESTERDAY SERVED SUMMONS ON BOWLES COMMANDING APPEARANCE IN BALTO TOMORROW TO EXPLAIN WITHHOLDING TAX DEDUCTION MADE FOR HIS EMPLOYEES WHILE HE WAS IN ROOFING BUSINESS HERE. ARTICLE FURTHER REFLECTS SUB CAPTION ~~QUOTE~~ "REPORTS FBI ENTRANCE" ~~UNQUOTE~~ WHEREIN BOWLES AT NAAWP RALLY HELD YESTERDAY AT RITCHIE RACEWAY IS QUOTED AS STATING ~~QUOTE~~ "TWO FBI MEN GAINED ENTRANCE TO MY APARTMENT BY BORROWING THE KEY FROM A NEIGHBOR AND REPRESENTING THEMSELVES AS TELEPHONE COMPANY MEN" ~~UNQUOTE~~. TIME AND PLACE OF AFOREMENTIONED ALLEGED ENTRANCE NOT SPECIFIED IN ARTICLE AND PANEL SOURCES WHO ATTENDED RALLY UNABLE ADVISE AS TO WHETHER OR NOT BOWLES IN FACT SPECIFIED TIME OR PLACE. A PANEL SOURCE WHO ATTENDED RALLY YESTERDAY ADVISED THAT BOWLES STATED AT RALLY THAT TWO MEN WHOM HE BELIEVED TO BE FBI AGENTS CAME IN AND RANSACKED HIS

Phone call to SAC Potter, Richmond 10-11-54
1 per 10-11-54
2. Memo to Belmont 10-11-54

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APARTMENT UNTIL HE CAME IN AND CONFRONTED THEM. ACCORDING TO BOWLES THEY REFUSED TO ADMIT THAT THEY WERE FBI AGENTS BUT INSISTED THAT THEY WERE TELEPHONE MEN. BOWLES TOLD THE CROWD THAT IF THE FBI WANTED ANYTHING FROM HIM ALL THEY HAD TO DO WAS ASK HIM FOR IT. ANOTHER PANEL SOURCE WHO ATTENDED RALLY ADVISED THAT BOWLES ADMITTED AT THE RALLY HAVING MADE A STATEMENT IN THE PAST TO THE EFFECT THAT HIS DAUGHTER WOULD NOT ATTEND SCHOOL WITH NEGROES WHILE THERE WAS BREATH IN HIS BODY OR WHILE GUNPOWDER WOULD BURN HOWEVER BOWLES STATED THAT THIS STATEMENT WAS MADE BY HIM SEVERAL YEARS AGO IN A PRIVATE CONVERSATION AND HAD NO CONNECTION WITH NAAWP ACTIVITIES. ABOVE QUOTED SUN ARTICLE REFLECTS THAT BOWLES, AT YESTERDAY-S RALLY, REPEATED HIS REQUEST THAT NO VIOLENCE BE USED IN PUSHING FOR SEGREGATION. DELA STATE POLICE ADVISE BOWLES ARRESTED AT HARRINGTON DELAWARE AIRPORT AT TWO THIRTY PM THIS DATE ON CHARGES IN KENT AND SUSSEX COUNTIES, DELA., CHARGING ¹¹QUOTE CONSPIRACY WITH DIVERSE PERSONS TO VIOLATE THE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE LAWS OF DELA. ¹¹UNQUOTE AND ¹¹QUOTE CONSPIRACY WITH DIVERSE PERSONS TO INTERFERE WITH THE PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM OF DELA. ¹¹UNQUOTE. WARRANTS ALSO NAMED CHARLES WEST, VICE PRES, NAAWP, MRS. MILDRED SHARP, SEC-TREAS, AND REV. WARRINGTON, FORMER PRES. DELA BRANCH NAAWP. BALTO WILL SUREP. b7C

E 6-45PM OK FBI WNNR8

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
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DATE 3-21-91 BY SP8BJC/L

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COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

OCT 10 1954

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Mr. Tolson	_____
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Mr. Nichols	_____
Mr. Belmont	_____
Mr. Mohr	_____
Mr. Parsons	_____
Mr. Rosen	_____
Mr. Tamm	_____
Mr. Sizoo	_____
Mr. Winterrowd	_____
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Mr. Holloman	_____
Miss Gandy	_____

FBI RICHMOND 10-11-54 2-00 PM GTC
DIRECTOR, FBI - URGENT

ATTENTION - MR. F. J. BAUMGARDNER

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR ADVANCEMENT OF WHITE PEOPLE IS - X. RE
PHONE CALL TODAY. NO KNOWLEDGE THIS OFFICE OF ANY SEARCH OR
INQUIRY MADE AT APARTMENT BRYANT BOWLES OCTOBER NINE LAST OR ANY
OTHER TIME. ALL RA-S ALEXANDRIA, VA. CONTACTED AND CATEGORICALLY
DENY SUCH SEARCH ABOVE DATE OR ANY OTHER TIME. INDICES THIS OFFICE
AND TELEPHONE DIRECTORY NEGATIVE AS TO ADDRESS ABOVE APARTMENT IN
ARLINGTON. CREDIT BUREAU FOR THIS AREA IN WASHINGTON. NO INQUIRIES
BEING MADE AT ARLINGTON AT ~~THIS~~ THIS TIME UACB AS WOULD DIVULGE OUR
INTEREST.

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Mr. Belmont

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : A. H. Belmont *AB/B*DATE: October 11,
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FROM : F. J. Baumgardner *FJB*

SUBJECT: NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE
ADVANCEMENT OF WHITE PEOPLE
BRYANT W. BOWLES, JR., PRESIDENT
INTERNAL SECURITY - X
FBI File 105-18867

By teletype dated October 10, 1954, Baltimore advised that during a public appearance in Baltimore, Bryant W. Bowles, Jr., stated that two men, whom he believed to be FBI Agents, ransacked his apartment. According to Bowles, these two individuals claimed they were telephone company workmen.

"The Sunday Star," Washington, D. C., on October 10, 1954, carried an article reflecting that according to Bowles, two FBI Agents searched his apartment in Arlington, Virginia, on October 9, 1954. According to the article Bowles said he was sure it was the FBI that searched his apartment; however, he did not know it for a fact.

In view of the above allegation I called SAC Potter of the Richmond Office at 1:08 p.m. today and instructed him to check into the matter and advise the Bureau of the results by teletype.

RECOMMENDATION:

None. This is for your information.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. A. H. Belmont

DATE: October 11, 1954

FROM : Mr. F. J. Baumgardner

SUBJECT: NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF WHITE PEOPLE
 BRYANT W. BOWLES, JR., PRESIDENT
 INTERNAL SECURITY - X
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By teletype dated October 10, 1954, Baltimore advised concerning an article which appeared in the "Baltimore Sun" on October 10, 1954, which quoted Bryant W. Bowles, Jr., as stating at a public rally sponsored by the National Association for the Advancement of White People "two FBI men gained entrance to my apartment by borrowing the key from a neighbor and representing themselves as telephone company men." In connection with this statement the Director commented "Is this a fact? H."

It is also noted that "The Sunday Star," Washington, D. C., on October 10, 1954, carried an article reflecting that Bowles believed two FBI Agents searched his apartment in Arlington, Virginia. According to this article, Bowles said he was sure it was the FBI that searched his apartment; however, he did not know it for a fact.

On October 11, 1954, Supervisor Joseph Keller of the Washington Field Office advised that no Agent from the Washington Field Office entered Bowles' apartment.

By teletype dated October 11, 1954, SAC Potter of the Richmond Office advised that he had contacted all Resident Agents at Alexandria, Virginia, relative to this matter and stated that these Resident Agents categorically denied entering Bowles' apartment at any time.

RECOMMENDATION:

None. This is for your information.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : The Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

DATE: October 14, 1954

FROM : Warren Olney III, Assistant Attorney General,
Criminal Division

WO:ABC:FTH

146-1-23-1426

SUBJECT: National Association for Advancement of
White People, Inc. - Bryant W. Bowles, Jr.
Internal Security - X

Mr. Tolson	
Mr. Boardman	
Mr. Nichols	
Mr. Belmont	
Mr. Ladd	
Mr. Clegg	
Mr. Glavin	
Mr. Harbo	
Mr. Rosen	
Mr. Tracy	
Mr. Egan	
Mr. Gurnea	
Mr. Hendon	
Mr. Jones	
Mr. Mumford	
Mr. Quinn	
Mr. Nease	
Mr. Gandy	

We are in receipt of the criminal record, F.B.I. #496803, dated October 7, 1954, concerning Bryant W. Bowles.

In the Washington Evening Star dated October 7, as well as the Washington Post-Times Herald dated October 7, there appear articles reflecting an interview with subject Bowles concerning his convictions in Baltimore. In addition, in our memorandum of October 6, 1954, requesting confirmation of certain criminal convictions appearing in the record of Judge Manley's Court, Baltimore, we forwarded an enclosure indicating a conviction for false pretenses on which Judge Manley had sentenced Bowles to a term of one year in the House of Correction and suspended the sentence generally upon good behavior.

It will be appreciated if upon receipt of the Bureau's investigative report from the Baltimore office, you will have a new criminal record prepared for subject Bowles and forward a copy to this office as soon as possible.

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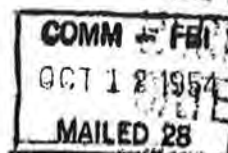
To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION. OCTOBER 12, 1954

RECORDED - 43 Transmit the following message to: SAC, BALTIMORE
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF WHITE PEOPLE, INTERNAL
SECURITY - X. ATTACHED IS ONE COPY EACH OF DEPARTMENT MEMO DATED
OCTOBER 8, 1954, AND IDENTIFICATION RECORD FOR BRYANT W. BOWLES, JR.,
WHOSE FBI NUMBER IS 4968033. RE BALTIMORE TELETYPE OCTOBER 7, 1954,
REFLECTING ARRESTS AND DISPOSITIONS FOR BOWLES WHICH DO NOT APPEAR
ON IDENTIFICATION RECORD BECAUSE FINGERPRINTS WERE NOT SUBMITTED.
YOU ARE INSTRUCTED TO CHECK WITH BALTIMORE POLICE DEPARTMENT TO
DETERMINE WHETHER OR NOT COURT RECORDS RE BOWLES SET FORTH IN
RETEL ARE IDENTICAL WITH BALTIMORE POLICE DEPARTMENT NUMBER 82-550.
DISPOSITION OF IDENTIFICATION RECORD FOR ARREST BY BALTIMORE
POLICE DEPARTMENT MAY 12, 1953, APPEARS INCORRECT ACCORDING TO
RETEL. VERIFY THIS DISPOSITION WITH BALTIMORE POLICE DEPARTMENT.
IN VIEW OF DEPARTMENT REQUEST FOR REPLY AS SOON AS POSSIBLE,
EXPEDITE AND SUTEL.

ATTACHMENT

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. A. H. Belmont

DATE: October 14, 1954

FROM : Mr. F. J. Baumgardner

SUBJECT: NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF WHITE PEOPLE
INTERNAL SECURITY - X
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By teletype dated October 13, 1954, Baltimore set forth information concerning the arrest record of Bryant W. Bowles, Jr., President of captioned organization, at Baltimore Police Department under number 82550. The teletype states that several of these arrests correspond with records of the Criminal Court, Baltimore, Maryland; however, it is not stated in the teletype specifically which arrests by the Police Department are identical with the Criminal Court records.

Since the Department has requested an up-to-date criminal record on Bowles as soon as possible, I called ASAC Lally of the Baltimore Office at 2:20 p.m. today and instructed him to advise the Bureau by teletype the specific details concerning the Police Department arrest records and Criminal Court records. ASAC Lally said he would do this and in addition he stated that he would attempt to obtain photographs of fingerprint cards in the possession of the Baltimore Police Department regarding Bowles and also forward these to the Bureau.

RECOMMENDATION:

None. This is for your information.

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6 Arrested At Baltimore



Associated Press

Leads Fight

Bryant Bowles, Florida-born former Marine, is leading the fight against integration of white and Negro pupils in Delaware as president of the National Association for the Advancement of White People.

Mr. Tolson	_____
Mr. Boardman	_____
Mr. Nichols	_____
Mr. Belmont	_____
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Mr. Mohr	_____
Mr. Parsons	_____
Mr. Rosen	_____
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Miss Gandy	_____

W. J. [unclear]

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ENCLOSURE

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Rosen

DATE: October 6, 1954

FROM : Mr. Price

SUBJECT: RACIAL SEGREGATION IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS,
MILFORD, DELAWARE
CIVIL RIGHTS

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NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT
OF WHITE PEOPLE
BRYANT W. BOWLES, JR., PRESIDENT
INTERNAL SECURITY - X

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Mr. A. B. Caldwell, Chief of the Civil Rights Section of the Department, telephonically contacted SA [] of the Civil Rights Unit and advised Senator Williams (R.) of Delaware was contacting the Department of Justice today. **(John J.)*

Mr. Caldwell inquired as to whether or not the FBI had a criminal record concerning Bryant William Bowles, Jr., President of the National Association for the Advancement of White People. Mr. Caldwell was advised that the Bureau had an Identification Record on one Bryant William Bowles, under FBI # 4968033. Mr. Caldwell then inquired whether or not this Identification Record would show that Bryant William Bowles, Jr., who was arrested in Baltimore, was identical with the Bryant William Bowles under FBI # 4968033. He was advised that no statement could be made that these persons were identical without a check of fingerprints themselves.

Mr. Caldwell advised a letter was being prepared by the Department, which would be forwarded to the Bureau under the caption "National Association for the Advancement of White People, Internal Security - X," requesting the Bureau determine if these persons were identical.

Above for your information.

See ADDENDUM page 2

Attachment

cc: Mr. Belmont
Mr. Tamm
Mr. Nichols

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cc - Mr. Tamm

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To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

OCTOBER 19, 1954

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Transmit the following message to:

SAC, BALTIMORE (100-17756)

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF WHITE PEOPLE,
INTERNAL SECURITY - R. IT IS NOTED BRYANT W. BOWLES, JR.,
PRESIDENT OF CAPTIONED ORGANIZATION, WAS ARRESTED BY
DELAWARE STATE POLICE OCTOBER 10, 1954, FOR CONSPIRACY
TO VIOLATE DELAWARE EDUCATION LAWS. FINGERPRINTS
REFLECTING THIS ARREST HAVE NOT BEEN RECEIVED BY
IDENTIFICATION DIVISION TO DATE. IN EVENT BOWLES WAS
FINGERPRINTED BY DELAWARE STATE POLICE, OBTAIN COPY
OF FINGERPRINTS AND FORWARD TO BUREAU.

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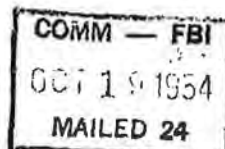
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NOTE ON YELLOW: Supervisor [] of the Identification
Division advised October 19, 1954, that fingerprints
have not been received reflecting Bowles' arrest on
October 10, 1954.

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Memorandum for Mr. Rosen

ADDENDUM:

Mr. A. B. Caldwell telephonically contacted SA [] at 3:25 p.m. and advised he was preparing a memorandum upon instructions from Assistant Attorney General Warren Olney which would be hand delivered today to the Bureau and which would request immediate investigation be made to determine whether or not Bryant T. Bowles, Jr., the president of the National Association for the Advancement of White People, is identical with the person indicted under Indictment Number 501 and Number 152 charging Bowles with larceny after trust and false pretenses in the Criminal Court of Baltimore, Maryland. Mr. Caldwell advised this memorandum would request that the complaining witness be interviewed in an effort to determine the identity of Bowles. Caldwell advised he was writing his memorandum under the caption of the National Association for the Advancement of White People and referring to report of [] dated at Washington, D. C., July 1, 1954. This matter is being handled by Supervisor Thau of the Domestic Intelligence Division. b7C

Mr. Caldwell advised the subject of Bowles and the National Association for the Advancement of White People was discussed at the Attorney General luncheon today and Senator Williams of Delaware had discussed this matter with top officials in the Department and at the time of his call, a delegation of citizens was outside the door of the Civil Rights Unit gathering to discuss the desegregation in schools with Mr. Caldwell.

* MEMO NOW RECEIVED + AFFIDAVIT

ACTION: **TAKEN**

A copy of the memorandum from Warren Olney dated October 6, 1954, was forwarded to Division 5 for appropriate action.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (105-18867)

DATE: 10/11/54

FROM: SAC, BALTIMORE (100-17756)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE
ADVANCEMENT OF WHITE PEOPLE,
INCORPORATED
INTERNAL SECURITY - X

Re Butel, dated 10/6/54 and Batels, dated 10/7 and 10/10/54.

Enclosed herewith are 6 copies of report of SA [redacted] dated October 11, 1954, at Baltimore, Md. Contained in this report are the names of various plaintiffs in Criminal Court actions against BRYANT W. BOWLES, President of the National Association for the Advancement of White People, Incorporated. Unless instructions are received to the contrary, this office will not further interview any of these plaintiffs. In addition, the Bureau is requested to advise Baltimore office whether or not active investigation should be made of the above captioned committee and whether or not the Bureau is desirous of developing sources and/or informants within the NAAWP. The Baltimore office is in receipt of numerous inquiries from private citizens into this association and several good prospects for informant development within this organization are presently available.

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Until such time as a reply is received, this office will continue to accept information concerning this association and will follow its activities through established sources. P.

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Enclosure

REGISTERED MAIL

cc: WFO (Enclosure) (100-26356)

REGISTERED MAIL

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FBI, BA

10/23/54

Transmit the following Teletype message to:

DIRECTOR, FBI (105-18867)

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF WHITE PEOPLE,
INTERNAL SECURITY - X. REURAIRTEL DATED OCTOBER 19, 1954.

[REDACTED], IDENTIFICATION DIVISION,
HEADQUARTERS, DELAWARE STATE POLICE, ADVISES THAT BOWLES'
FINGERPRINTS WERE SENT FROM HIS HEADQUARTERS TO THE BUREAU
ON OCTOBER 18, 1954.

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Mr. Belmont

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Special Agent in Charge

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WA 1 FROM BA 10-15-54 10-49 P

DIRECTOR, FBI AND SAC, WASHINGTON FIELD U R G E N T

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF WHITE PEOPLE, INTERNAL SECURITY - X, BUFILE ONE ZERO FIVE DASH ONE EIGHT EIGHT SIX SEVEN, RE BA TEL DATED OCT. FOURTEEN LAST. CONCERNING BRYANT W. BOWLES, FR. RECORDS BALTIMORE PD UNDER POLICE NUMBER EIGHT TWO DASH FIVE FIVE ZERO, CONTAIN FINGERPRINTS FOR BOWLES ARREST ONLY ON THE MAY TWELFTH, FIFTYTHREE DATE, WHICH PRINTS WERE FORWARDED TO THE IDENTIFICATION DIVISION AND APPEAR ON BOWLES IDENTIFICATION RECORD, FBI NO. FOUR NINE SIX EIGHT ZERO THREE. ALL OTHER ARRESTS CONTAINED IN POLICE RECORD NUMBER EIGHT TWO FIVE FIVE ZERO AS SET OUT IN RE BA TEL WERE UNSUPPORTED BY FINGERPRINTS. INASMUCH AS BALTIMORE PD SUBMITTED FINGERPRINT CARD ON BOWLES FOR ARREST MAY TWELVE FIFTYTHREE, NO COPY OF THIS RECORD IS BEING OBTAINED. UACB.

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WA / 6 FROM BA 10-14-54 7-17 P EST LR

DIRECTOR AND SAC, WFO U R G E N T

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF WHITE PEOPLE,

IS - X. BUFILE ONE ZERO FIVE DASH ONE EIGHT EIGHT SIX SEVEN.

REBU TELEPHONE CALL THIS DATE. CONCERNING BRYANT W. BOWLES, JR.

^{BALTIMORE P.D.}
RECORDS OF THE BA PD UNDER POLICE NO. EIGHT TWO DASH FIVE

FIVE ZERO CONTAIN ARREST RECORD NO. NW ONE THREE SIX FIVE EIGHT

REFLECTING ARREST ON MAY TWELVE FIFTYTHREE CORRESPONDING

TO INDICTMENT NO. TWO FOUR ONE ONE - ARREST NO. NW ONE THREE

SIX FIVE NINE REFLECTING ARREST ON MAY TWELVE FIFTYTHREE

CORRESPONDING TO INDICTMENT NO. TWO FOUR ONE TWO - ARREST NO.

NW ONE THREE FIVE ZERO SIX REFLECTING ARREST ON MAY TWELVE

FIFTYTHREE CORRESPONDING TO INDICTMENT NO. TWO FOUR ONE

THREE - ARREST NO. NW ONE THREE SIX SIX TWO REFLECTING ARREST

ON MAY SEVENTEEN FIFTYTHREE CORRESPONDING TO INDICTMENT NO.

TWO FOUR ONE FOUR - AND ARREST NO. NW ONE THREE SIX SIX ONE

REFLECTING ARREST ON MAY SEVENTEEN FIFTYTHREE CORRESPONDING

TO INDICTMENT NO. TWO FOUR ONE FIVE. IN ADDITION TO THE ABOVE, RECORDS

OF THE BA PD UNDER PD NO. EIGHT TWO FIVE FIVE ZERO

CONTAIN THREE SEPARATE RECORDS OF ARREST CORRESPONDING TO

INDICTMENT NOS. ONE NINE FIVE TWO, ONE TWO ZERO FIVE

AND FIVE ZERO ONE. THESE RECORDS DO NOT REFLECT AN ARREST

DATE OR ARREST NO. FULL DETAILS CONCERNING THE CHARGES

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Mr. Belmont

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AND DISPOSITIONS CONTAINED IN BA COURT RECORDS RELATIVE TO THESE THREE INDICTMENTS WERE REPORTED IN BA REP DATED OCT. ELEVEN LAST. IN ADDITION TO THE ABOVE ARREST RECORDS, RECORDS OF THE BA PD UNDER POLICE NO. EIGHT TWO DASH FIVE FIVE ZERO CONTAIN THE FOLLOWING RECORDS OF ARRESTS, NOS. E FIVE ONE SEVEN FIVE, S SEVEN FIVE TWO TWO, ONE SEVEN EIGHT NINE THREE THRU NE SEVEN EIGHT NINE SIX, NW ONE THREE FIVE ZERO SEVEN, NW ONE THREE SIX SIX ZERO, AND C TWO ZERO NINE ONE TWO. FULL DETAILS CONCERNING THESE ARREST NOS REFLECTING CHARGE AND DISPOSITION WERE CONTAINED IN BA TEL DATED OCT. THIRTEEN LAST. THESE WERE ALL HANDLED BY MAGISTRATE-S TRIAL AND THEREFORE NO INDICTMENTS WERE HANDED DOWN IN RELATION TO THEM. COPIES OF ANY FINGERPRINT RECORDS MAINTAINED BY THE BA PD IN CONNECTION WITH THE ABOVE ARRESTS WILL BE OBTAINED AND FORWARDED TO THE BU BY MAIL.

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DIRECTOR, FBI AND SAC, WFO **U R G E N T**

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF WHITE PEOPLE.

IS DASH X. BUFILE ONE ZERO FIVE DASH ONE EIGHT EIGHT SIX SEVEN.

REBUAIRTEL DATED OCT. TWELVE, FIFTYFOUR. RECORDS BA PD, 5-2

BA, MD.. CONTAIN NUMEROUS ARRESTS CONCERNING BRYANT W. BOWLES,

JR. UNDER BA PD NO. EIGHT TWO FIVE FIVE ZERO. SEVERAL OF

THESE ARRESTS AND DISPOSITIONS THEREOF CORRESPOND WITH

CRIMINAL COURT RECORDS IN BA SHOWING INDICTMENTS AND CONVICTIONS

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TO THOSE ARRESTS. BOWLES RECORD UNDER NO. EIGHT TWO DASH FIVE

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WITH INTENT TO DEFRAUD AND CHEAT. FINES OF TWENTY FIVE DOLLARS
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FIFTYTHREE AT MAGISTRATE-S TRIAL. ARREST NOS. NW ONE THREE FIVE
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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. A. H. Belmont

DATE: October 19, 1954

FROM : Mr. F. J. Baumgardner

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SUBJECT: NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT
 OF WHITE PEOPLE
 BRYANT W. BOWLES, PRESIDENT
 INTERNAL SECURITY - X
 Bufile 105-18867

By letter dated October 8, 1954, the Department requested an up-to-date identification record on Bryant W. Bowles, Jr. It is noted we furnished the Department an identification record on Bowles dated October 7, 1954, under FBI Number 4968033. According to press releases, Bowles had been tried several times in the Criminal Court, Baltimore, Maryland, in the past. All of these indictments and dispositions thereof do not appear on Bowles' identification record because fingerprints were not submitted to the Bureau by the Baltimore Police Department.

We have now received from the Baltimore Office teletypes dated October 13, 14, and 15, 1954, as well as a report dated October 11, 1954, which contain data relative to Bowles' arrests and dispositions thereof which appear in the records of the Baltimore Police Department under their number 82-550.

The above-mentioned report and teletypes as well as a copy of the Department's letter of October 8, 1954, are attached.

In view of the Department's request for an up-to-date identification record on Bowles as soon as possible, it is believed this memorandum and the attachments should be forwarded to the Identification Division in order that six copies of a new identification record may be prepared and forwarded to the Internal Security Section of the Domestic Intelligence Division. Upon receipt of the new identification record on Bowles we will forward a copy to the Department by letter.

RECOMMENDATION:

If you approve, it is recommended this memorandum and its attachments be forwarded to the Identification Division for appropriate action as set forth above.

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 Attachments, (5)

cc - Mr. Q. Tamm

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cc Belmont

Assistant Attorney General
Warren Olney III

October 22, 1954

Director, FBI

**NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT
OF WHITE PEOPLE, INCORPORATED
INTERNAL SECURITY - X
FBI FILE 105-18867**

Reference is made to your memorandum dated October 8, 1954, your file reference WO:ABC:FIH, wherein you requested a new criminal record on Bryant W. Bowles, Jr., President of the National Association for the Advancement of White People, Incorporated.

There are enclosed two copies of an identification record dated October 21, 1954, for Bowles whose FBI number is 4 968 033.

Any additional pertinent information received in connection with this matter will be furnished to you promptly.

Enclosure

2 cc Washington Field (100-26356) (for information) (w/enclosure)

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
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J. Edgar Hoover
Director

The following FBI record, NUMBER

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CONTRIBUTOR OF FINGERPRINTS	NAME AND NUMBER	ARRESTED OR RECEIVED	CHARGE	DISPOSITION
Marine	Bryant William Bowles, Junior #276 129	enlisted October 23, 1939		
Police Department, Albany, New York	Bryant William Bowles #20601	October 13, 1947	fugitive	adjudged and committed October 16, 1947, October 23, 1947, investigation withdrawn defendant discharged
State Police, Troy, New York	Bryant William Bowles, Junior #20601	October 13, 1947	fugitive from State of Florida violation Title 18 Section 827 CCP	
Albany County Jail and Penitentiary, Watervliet, New York	Bryant William Bowles #AC-4259	October 15, 1947	fugitive	
Sheriff's Office, Tampa, Florida	Bryant W. Bowles, Junior #36113	September 18, 1948	worthless checks	2/11/58 SP 8855166
Police Department, Baltimore, Maryland	William Bryant Bowles, Junior #82-550	May 12, 1953	false pretense	May 18, 1953 dismissed
Sheriff's Office, Bel Air, Maryland	Bryant William Bowles #9829	September 21, 1953	false pretense	April 1, 1954 case declared nolle prossed by State's Attorney and released
State Police, New Castle, Delaware	Bryant William Bowles #4-8352	October 10, 1954	conspire violation School Laws	

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Director.

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CONTRIBUTOR OF FINGERPRINTS	NAME AND NUMBER	ARRESTED OR RECEIVED	CHARGE	DISPOSITION
*	WANTED: As Bryant W. Bowles, for forgery. Notify Sheriff's Office, Tampa, Florida, per information received therefrom January 16, 1949. NO LONGER WANTED: Bryant W. Bowles, cancelled per information received on wire Sheriff's Office, Tampa, Florida, October 29, 1953.			
*	#E-5175, Police Department, Baltimore, Maryland, March 4, 1953, disorderly conduct upon public street; March 5, 1953, fined \$25.00 and costs Magistrate's Court.			
*	#S-7522, Police Department, Baltimore, Maryland, March 13, 1953, contempt of court by failure to obey summons issued March 11, 1953; dismissed by Magistrate's Court.			
*	#NE-7893 through #NE-7896, Police Department, Baltimore, Maryland, April 3, 1953, failure to pay wages in varying amounts up to \$100.00 for services rendered with intent to defraud and cheat; fines of \$25.00 and costs in each of four cases suspended April 3, 1953 at Magistrate's Trial.			
	As Bryant W. Bowles, Junior, arraigned in Criminal Court, Baltimore, Maryland, on the following charges:			
*	Indictment Number 501: October 11, 1952, three counts, larceny after trust; pleaded not guilty to these three counts, August 18, 1953, adjudged guilty by Court trial, August 19, 1953, verdict guilty stricken from record and new trial ordered, April 27, 1954, case retried and pleaded not guilty, June 18, 1954, found not guilty on the three counts.			
*	Indictment Number 1205: March 16, 1953, cheat and defraud; March 27, 1953, pleaded not guilty, verdict was rendered guilty, sentence suspended and Bowles required to pay the costs.			

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Director.

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CONTRIBUTOR OF FINGERPRINTS	NAME AND NUMBER	ARRESTED OR RECEIVED	CHARGE	DISPOSITION
*			Indictment Number 1952: Two counts, (1) false pretenses, (2) cheat and defraud; April 27, 1954, pleaded not guilty, June 18, 1954, Court rendered verdict of guilty and suspended sentence pending outcome of new trial motion, released on bail of \$1500.00, July 24, 1954, new trial denied, sentenced one year Maryland House of Correction, sentence suspended by reason of general good behavior and upon promise of restitution.	
*			Indictment Number 2411: February 13, 1953, false pretenses; April 27, 1954, pleaded nolo contendere, June 18, 1954, found guilty and fined \$25.00 and costs.	
*			Indictment Number 2412: May 24, 1953, intent to defraud and cheat; April 27, 1954, pleaded nolo contendere, June 18, 1954, fined \$25.00 plus costs.	
*			Indictment Number 2413: April 18, 1953, intent to defraud and cheat; April 27, 1954, pleaded nolo contendere, June 18, 1954, fined \$25.00 and costs.	
*			Indictment Number 2414: February 27, 1953, three counts, (1) false pretense, (2) cheat and defraud, (3) fraud; April 27, 1954, pleaded nolo contendere, June 18, 1954, fined \$25.00 and costs on the three counts.	
*			Indictment Number 2415: February 20, 1953, three counts, (1) false pretense, (2) cheat and defraud, (3) fraud; April 27, 1954, pleaded nolo contendere, June 18, 1954, fined \$25.00 and costs on the three counts.	

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NOVEMBER 2, 1954
To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

Transmit the following message to: SAC, MIAMI

**NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF WHITE PEOPLE,
INTERNAL SECURITY - X.**

OF THE CAPTIONED ORGANIZATION, ORALLY ADVISED BUREAU TODAY THAT
BRYANT W. BOWLES, JR., PRESIDENT OF THE NAAWP,

ARE DEPARTING WASHINGTON, b7C
D. C., ON NOVEMBER 4, 1954, VIA AUTO FOR FLORIDA. PURPOSE OF TRIP
IS TO CONTACT VARIOUS UNIDENTIFIED PEOPLE IN FLORIDA IN ORDER TO
ARRANGE FOR PUBLIC MEETINGS TO BE ADDRESSED BY BRYANT BOWLES REGARDING
SEGREGATION ISSUE. ONE OF THE CONTACTS TO BE MADE IN FLORIDA IS WITH
NAAWP HONORARY VICE PRESIDENT, SHERIFF WILLIS MC CAUL OF LAKE COUNTY,
FLORIDA. PURPOSE OF THIS TRIP IS ALSO TO OBTAIN ADDITIONAL MEMBERS
FOR NAAWP. ALSO ADVISED THAT BRYANT BOWLES IS SCHEDULED
TO SPEAK BEFORE A GROUP OF NEGROES IN POUGHKEEPSIE, NEW YORK, ON
NOVEMBER 21, 1954. IT IS NOTED THAT ACCORDING TO THE PRESS, BOWLES
IN OCTOBER, 1954, WAS INVITED TO SPEAK BEFORE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION
FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE IN POUGHKEEPSIE, HOWEVER,
UPON ORDER OF NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS OF NAACP THIS INVITATION WAS
WITHDRAWN. STROHECKER STATED INVITATION FOR NOVEMBER 21, 1954,
ENGAGEMENT WAS EXTENDED BY AN UNIDENTIFIED NEGRO SINGER. FOR THE

INFORMATION OF MIAMI AND NEW YORK, BRYANT BOWLES WAS ARRESTED BY
DELAWARE STATE POLICE OCTOBER 10, 1954, AND CHARGED WITH CONSPIRACY

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3CC - WASHINGTON FIELD (100-26356) (FOR INFORMATION)

SP8B-100-321-91 BY SPECIAL MESSENGER

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EX-107

TO VIOLATE STATE OF DELEWARE EDUCATION LAWS. BOWLES WAS ACTIVE
IN INCITING ANTI-INTEGRATION IN MILFORD, DELAWARE, SCHOOLS.
MIAMI AND NEW YORK SHOULD ARRANGE COVERAGE THROUGH INFORMANTS
AND SOURCES OF ANY MEETINGS BOWLES MAY ADDRESS AND SUREP.
WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE ORIGIN.

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Office Memo. • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. L. V. Boardman

DATE: November 1,
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FROM : Mr. A. H. Belmont

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SUBJECT: NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE
 ADVANCEMENT OF WHITE PEOPLE, INC.
 INTERNAL SECURITY - X
 Bufile 105-18867

By letter dated October 28, 1954, the Department requested the Bureau to declassify certain information relating to indictments and convictions of Bryant W. Bowles, Jr., President of the captioned organization, which information is set forth in the report of Special Agent [redacted], dated October 11, 1954, at Baltimore. This report contains other information in addition to that pertaining to indictments and convictions of Bowles and was classified confidential. The information in this report regarding the indictments and convictions of Bowles was obtained by the Baltimore Office from public source records, namely, the Criminal Court, Baltimore, Maryland.

The Department's letter of October 28, 1954, also requested the Bureau to transmit the information regarding the indictments and convictions of Bowles to United States Senator John J. Williams of Delaware in accordance with a request made by Senator Williams to the Department on October 8, 1954.

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It is believed that the Bureau should not transmit the information concerning indictments and convictions of Bowles to Senator Williams.

An unclassified letter to the Department is attached wherein the Department is advised that if it so desires it may advise Senator Williams of the information regarding Bowles as it appears in the records of the Criminal Court, Baltimore, Maryland. In order that the Department will have the desired material in an unclassified form, there is attached an unclassified letter to the Department containing the pertinent information as reflected in the records of the Criminal Court, Baltimore, Maryland. The report of Special Agent [redacted] cannot be declassified in part.

RECOMMENDATION:

If you approve, it is recommended the attached letter to the Department be transmitted.

Attachment

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EX. 10

INDEC

On September 24, 1954, Mr. [redacted] Ellendale, Delaware, Mr. [redacted] Ellendale, Delaware, and [redacted] Lincoln, Delaware, were interviewed by SA [redacted] in connection with an allegation of a violation of the extortion statute. During the course of the interview, these individuals advised that at the mass meeting carried at Milford, Delaware school on September 17, 1954, [redacted] Hartly, Delaware, made a brief speech which was heard by only a few people within the school building, and passed out a pamphlet of the NAAWP entitled "The National Forum", as well as several applications for membership in the NAAWP. These individuals stated they could not recall definite remarks made by DANES, but expressed the opinion that [redacted] was definitely in favor of protesting the integration of colored and white students in the Milford, Delaware school. b7C

[redacted], Lynch Heights, Delaware, advised SA [redacted] on September 24, 1954, that at the meeting on September 17, 1954 mentioned above, [redacted] made a short speech in support of the protest against integration at the Milford, Delaware school, and passed out a limited amount of literature on the NAAWP. She stated that [redacted] resided at Hartly, Delaware, and claimed to be a member of the NAAWP in Washington, D. C.

On October 16, 1954, Captain CARL LAWRENCE (NA), Director, Criminal Investigations, Delaware State Police, State Roads, Delaware, advised that [redacted] has been active in behalf of the NAAWP in attempts of this organization to prevent the integration of colored and white students in the Milford, Delaware schools. Captain LAWRENCE stated that [redacted] has, on several occasions, addressed groups in behalf of the NAAWP and signed a property bond for the release of BRYAN W. BOWLES, president of the NAAWP on the occasion of his arrest in Milford, Delaware recently in connection with BOWLES' activities during the recent unrest over integration in the Delaware school. Captain LAWRENCE also advised that [redacted] lives at Hartly, Del., and is the national vice president of the NAAWP, which has offices at 1319 F Street, N.W., Washington, D. C. Captain

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LAWRENCE stated that [] is supposed to be employed in the Navy Department in Washington, D. C., although he is not certain of his position or the particular part of the Navy Department, in which he is employed. He described [] as a white male, [], 6'1", 165-170 pounds, light brown hair, sharp features, slender build.

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Captain LAWRENCE advised SA [] that inasmuch as [] is supposed to be employed in the Federal Government, he thought that possibly his activities might be in violation of some of the regulations of his employing agency, and for this reason he was bringing the matter to the attention of the FBI.

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Inasmuch as the Bureau has been investigating the activities of the NAAWP, Bufile 105-18867, WFO file 100-26356, the above information concerning [] is being brought to the attention of the Bureau for its consideration under the SECURITY OF GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES program.

A copy of this letter is being furnished for the information of Washington Field in the event the Bureau directs an investigation concerning captioned individual inasmuch as he is supposed to work for the Navy Department, in Washington, D. C.

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District Attorney's Office
Room 666 City Hall
Philadelphia, Pa.

October 15, 1954

The Honorable Herbert Brownell,
Attorney General,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Herb:

I read in the paper that you have the complete record of Bryant W. Bowles--the gentleman who created so much trouble over the problem of integrating the schools in Milford, Delaware and then moved his activities to Baltimore and Washington.

I certainly would appreciate obtaining a copy of this record as Mr. Bowles has announced his intention of organizing a drive in Philadelphia for his National Association for the Advancement of White People.

Sincerely,

/S/ Richardson Dilworth

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INCLOSURE
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FROM
Department of Justice
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U. S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE

October 24, 1954

Honorable Richardson Dilworth
District Attorney
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. Dilworth:

This acknowledges receipt of your letter of October 15, 1954, to the Attorney General, in which you request a copy of the record of Bryant W. Bowles in view of his announced intention to organize a drive in Philadelphia for his National Association for the Advancement of White People.

Your request has been brought to the attention of the Federal Bureau of Investigation which will communicate with you in the near future. Please do not hesitate to call upon us if we can be of further service to you.

Sincerely,

WARREN OLNEY III
Assistant Attorney General
Criminal Division

By:

ARTHUR B. CALDWELL
Chief, Civil Rights Section

105-12867-76

November 1, 1954

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Mr. Richardson Dilworth
District Attorney's Office
Room 666 City Hall
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

DATE 2-11-82 BY SP7 JAC/gus
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Dear Sir:

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Mr. Warren Olney III, Assistant Attorney General, United States Department of Justice, has referred to me your letter dated October 15, 1954, in which you requested a copy of the record of Mr. Bryant W. Bowles.

In accordance with your request I am enclosing herewith the Identification Record dated October 21, 1954, of Bryant W. Bowles, FBI record number 4 968 033.

Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

NOTE ON YELLOW:
Enclosure

Bureau files reveal Dilworth was recommended by the SAC in Philadelphia as one of the individuals to be invited to appear on the radio show "This Is Your FBI," in accordance with instructions contained in SAC letter dated October 19, 1951. He was never invited and the program was cancelled by the Bureau. With regard to this, the Director commented "We, of course, do not want Dilworth on FBI programs in view of his controversial character. H." In connection with alleged irregularity in nominating petitions filed by

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magistrate candidates in Philadelphia, Dilworth requested the FBI to make handwriting examinations of the signatures. Subsequently, a newspaper article quoted Dilworth as being critical of the Bureau's inability to "provide conclusive evidence" after examining this material. The Director noted on a memorandum concerning this situation "We should be alert to any move Dilworth makes for each always involves a curve. H." In view of the Director's comments, it is believed we should furnish Dilworth nothing other than the official Identification Record of Bowles. (62-96963-1 and 4, 95-49193-18)

In connection with Director's comment as to Dilworth being a controversial character, Bureau file 62-96963-1 reflects Dilworth, during political campaigns, made numerous allegations of corruption, graft, and dishonesty against Philadelphia Republican city administration and Philadelphia Police Department. In January, 1948, Dilworth accused the Office of United States Attorney with being no more competent or honest than the Philadelphia Republican Administration. As a result, on February 2, 1948, United States District Judge James P. McGranery ordered the Grand Jury to subpoena Dilworth to testify as to his charges against United States Attorney's Office. After a 45-minute appearance before the Grand Jury it was indicated in "Philadelphia Inquirer," February 3, 1948, that Dilworth failed to mention any specific facts.

Assistant Attorney General
Warren Olney III

November 1, 1954

Director, FBI

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BRYANT W. BOWLES
SECURITY MATTER - R
FBI File 105-18867

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EX-104

Reference is made to your memorandum dated October 27, 1954, your reference 144-15-14 WO:SB:wg, and the enclosures thereto consisting of a copy of a letter dated October 15, 1954, addressed to the Attorney General from Richardson Dilworth, District Attorney's Office, Room 666 City Hall, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, requesting a copy of the record of Bryant W. Bowles and your reply to Mr. Dilworth dated October 27, 1954, advising him that his request had been brought to the attention of this Bureau.

By letter dated November 1, 1954, Mr. Dilworth was furnished the Identification Record dated October 21, 1954, of Bryant W. Bowles, FBI record number 4 968 033, a copy of which was previously furnished the Department.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : A. H. BELMONT

DATE:

November 3, 1954

FROM : F. J. BAUGARDNER

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SUBJECT: NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT
OF WHITE PEOPLE, INC. (NAAWP)
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SYNOPSIS:

Reference is made to the memorandum from Mr. Belmont to Mr. Boardman dated November 2, 1954, setting forth data re the NAAWP application form which contains the signature [redacted] for Attorney General" which was in the possession [redacted] NAAWP, at the time he was interviewed by Bureau Agents on November 2, 1954. The memorandum of November 2, 1954, states that a detailed memorandum will be submitted containing all information furnished to Bureau Agents by [redacted] regarding NAAWP. The purpose of instant memorandum is to set forth details of interview with [redacted] for record purposes. b7c

During interview of [redacted] by Bureau supervisors on November 2, 1954, [redacted] advised purpose of NAAWP was to lobby for legislation for the benefit of the white race and to counteract the efforts of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) and the Anti-Defamation League, which organizations he described as lobby groups. [redacted] wanted to know the Director's ideas on the Communist conspiracy. He was advised that the FBI was a fact-finding agency only and that we would accept any information he desired to furnish. [redacted] was not furnished any information regarding the Director's ideas or Bureau policies.

[redacted] advised that he, Bryant W. Bowles, Jr., President of NAAWP and [redacted] planned to depart November 4, 1954, for Florida to arrange NAAWP meetings there. They planned to contact among others Sheriff Willis McCaul, Sheriff of Lake County, Florida. Strohecker also stated Bryant Bowles will address a group of Negroes in Poughkeepsie, New York, on November 21, 1954.

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cc - Mr. Nichols
cc - Mr. Holloman
cc - Mr. Rosen

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In connection with the activities of the NAAWP [] stated that he together with Bryant W. Bowles, Jr., President of the NAAWP, and Bryant Bowles' [] are departing on November 4, 1954, for a speaking tour in Florida. In this connection [] stated the organization has received many letters from governors and other state and local officials whom he refused to identify and that the purpose of the trip to Florida was to contact some of these individuals in order to arrange meetings for the NAAWP. It is the intention of the NAAWP to address these meetings and to obtain additional members for the NAAWP. [] stated one of the individuals they will contact in Florida is the Honorary Vice President of the NAAWP, Sheriff Willis McGaul. [] also stated that Bryant Bowles is scheduled to speak before a Negro group in Poughkeepsie, New York, on November 21, 1954. b7C

It is to be noted that by airtel dated November 2, 1954, the Miami and New York Offices were alerted to the above tours by officials of the NAAWP and that any meetings addressed by these individuals should be covered by informants and established sources.

At the conclusion of the interview [] advised that he was going to return to the headquarters of the NAAWP. He stated that he was willing to cooperate with the Bureau at any time and that he could be reached by calling NA 8-3487 which is the phone number of the headquarters of the NAAWP.

Although [] advised he would be willing to cooperate with the Bureau it is to be noted he declined to identify members of the Advisory Board, regular members of the NAAWP, or to turn over to Bureau Agents the application form which was signed [] for Attorney General."

Instant memorandum is being submitted in accordance with information contained in the memorandum from Mr. Belmont to Mr. Boardman dated November 2, 1954, wherein it was stated that data concerning the details of the interview of [] on November 2, 1954, is being submitted. It is noted that the purpose of instant memorandum is to record in Bureau files the results in detail of the interview with Strohecker concerning the NAAWP. The matter of the NAAWP application form signed for the Attorney General is the subject of separate memoranda dated November 2 and 3, 1954.

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some of the speakers said they represented the National Association for Advancement of White People. The article set forth that the resistance of parents to integration of Negro and white students in school was due largely to a small minority of "bigot" leaders. According to the article the resistance of white residents of Milford to integration of Negro and white children had been whipped to fever heat by TV, radio and telephone calls asking parents to keep their children from the school. The article continued that two airplanes were used carrying signs admonishing parents to keep their children from school.

September 26, 1954, Milford, Delaware

The Washington Afro-American on October 2, 1954 published a column entitled "NAACP Confident about Milford." This column set out that a meeting had been held on Sunday (9/26/54) at a private airport, the Harrington Airport in Delaware. At this meeting the article noted that BRYANT BOWLES, President of NAAWP "in one of his most scurrilous speeches of many a day, had attacked WALTER WHITE as a colored man who had deserted his colored wife to marry a white woman, accused NAACP lawyers of wanting to associate only with white people and delivered an Anti-Semitic tirade against NAACP President, ARTHUR SPINGARN, for being of Jewish descent." VA
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The article also set forth that another meeting was scheduled at the airport for September 27, 1954. According to the paper, 5000 persons attended the meeting on Sunday September 26, 1954, which had been publicized all Sunday by an airplane which flew low over Milford, Delaware, with a loud speaker asking all white people to come to the meeting to uphold segregation.

October 1, 1954, Milford, Delaware

The Washington Daily News of October 1, 1954 in an article entitled "Baltimore Schools Hold Firm Despite Integration Protest" set forth that in Milford, Delaware a school board resigned in a body after threats from pro-segregation parents and a new board took office. The article related that this new board promptly ordered 11 Negro students to leave the Milford School and go to one in Dover, Delaware, 24 miles away. The article set forth that BRYANT W. BOWLES, a 34 year old Arlington, Ex-Marine who heads NAAWP was on hand celebrating the victory.

Further down in the article it was set forth that in Southern Delaware where BOWLES' NAAWP took over a public meeting two nights ago (9/20/54) officials said attendance in seven towns was "pretty badly affected" by the boycott of schools in Milford.

October 5, 1954, Baltimore, Maryland

The Washington Post and Times Herald on October 7, 1954 carried an article entitled, "BOWLES of NAAWP moves into Anacostia's Student Demonstration." This article set forth that on Tuesday, October 5, 1954, BOWLES "swung into the leadership of the Baltimore School tempest and asked for avoidance of violence and boasted that under his leadership Negroes were forced out of the schools in Milford 'without a fist being swung.'"

October 6, 1954, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

The Washington Post and Times Herald on October 7, 1954 published an article entitled, "Philadelphia threatens to arrest BOWLES". This article mentioned that District Attorney RICHARDSON DILWORTH had stated on October 6, 1954 that BRYANT BOWLES, head of NAAWP, would be arrested if he attempted to repeat in Philadelphia anti-race integration meetings he had sponsored elsewhere. The article mentioned that DILWORTH stated "if BOWLES pursues the tactics in Philadelphia that he attempted in other cities I shall promptly issue an order for his arrest for inciting to riot."

October 7, 1954, Anacostia, Washington, D. C.

The Washington Post and Times Herald on October 7, 1954 in an article entitled, "BOWLES of NAAWP moves into Anacostia Student Integration Demonstration" set forth that BOWLES had announced his intention of holding a meeting in Fairlawn Park near Anacostia High School in Washington, D. C. The article informed that local Police had orders to acquaint BOWLES with regulations forbidding public meetings without permits and to arrest him if he did not abide by them. He was denied permission to speak to the students when he refused to urge them to return to class.

October 7, 1954, Dover, Delaware

This same article referred to immediately above, also set forth that the State of Delaware Attorney General, H. ALBERT

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YOUNG, has brought suit to strip the NAAWP of its corporate charter and restrain it from soliciting members and collecting dues. According to the paper YOUNG charged the NAAWP with "abuse and misuse of its corporate power" and declared among other things it has encouraged by means of mass hysteria, mob rule, boycott, and race prejudice, the closing of public schools.

October 7, 1954, Washington, D. C.

The Pittsburgh Courier on October 9, 1954 published an article entitled, "Courier Exposes Vicious Minds Behind Disorder" The article set forth the following:

"The leaders of the Milford, Delaware public school disorders which spread rapidly to Baltimore and then to the District of Columbia were identified as WILLIAM BRYANT BOWLES, age 34, founder of the so-called National Association for the Advancement of White People, and WILLIAM V. McCALL, Sheriff of Lake County, Florida." The article related that McCALL had addressed a meeting of 3000 persons on a vacant lot near Milford, Delaware, and congratulated the "whites" on their success in forcing the removal of 11 Negro students from Milford High School and promised that thousands of people would come up from Florida and other Southern States to aid them, if they spread their campaign to other communities.

October 9, 1954, Glen Burnie, Maryland

The Washington Evening Star in an article captioned, "The Founder of NAAWP is Everywhere at Once, Police Records Show That He is Elsewhere Too," published on October 7, 1954 set forth that BOWLES had informed reporters that the membership total of his organization soon would hit fifty thousand members. BOWLES, according to the article, hinted that membership now exceeds thirty-one thousand. The article set forth that BOWLES estimated he had three thousand members in the District of Columbia and at least two thousand in Maryland, and that a rally was being staged at Glen Burnie, Maryland on Saturday, October 9, 1954 to seek more members.

October 10, 1954, Milford, Delaware

The Washington Post and Times Herald on October 11, 1954 published an article entitled, "BOWLES is Arrested Twice in

Delaware." This article set out that BRYANT BOWLES, President of NAAWP, was arrested by the State of Delaware on October 10, 1954, at Milford and charged with conspiring to violate the State Education Law by leading a boycott of Milford's integrated high school. The article indicates that after raising \$6,000 bond, BOWLES returned to the Harrington Airport near Milford, where he was arrested again on a warrant issued by Attorney General H. ALBERT YOUNG at the direction of Governor J. CALEB BOGGS of Delaware. The article related that BOWLES had flown into the Harrington Airport that day where police estimated six thousand persons were assembled for a meeting.

October 10, 1954, Baltimore, Maryland

The article referred to immediately above also reflected that BOWLES attended an open air meeting near Baltimore where he helped to form a Maryland Chapter of NAAWP. At the same time, the article continued, he was served with a summons to appear before the Internal Revenue Service in Wilmington, Delaware on Monday (10/11/54) for alleged failure to pay Federal Taxes. The article set forth that the charge had nothing to do with the NAAWP but related to a roofing business BOWLES operated in Baltimore in 1952.

October 11, 1954, Milford, Delaware

The Washington Evening Star, October 11, 1954, in an article captioned, "BOWLES arrested, Bars Fiscal Data to State Official," set forth that subpoenas had been issued on last Friday (10/8/54) by Delaware State Attorney General, H. ALBERT YOUNG, calling upon the NAAWP to hand over data on its finances and operations. The article quoted BOWLES as stating, "I'll turn these records over to any authorized court that requests them, but I'll not turn them over to the Attorney General."

The article set out that BOWLES was free under \$6,000 bond for a November 3 hearing at Dover, Delaware on charges of conspiracy to violate the State Education Law by leading a boycott of Milford's High School.

October 11, 1954, Baltimore, Maryland

The Washington Post and Times Herald of October 12, 1954 published an article entitled, "BOWLES Fails To Appear On Tax Subpoena," set forth that BRYANT BOWLES, President of NAAWP, failed to appear for a scheduled conference on October 11, 1954

with the Director of Internal Revenue at Baltimore. The article related that BOWLES later notified the Baltimore Internal Revenue Office that he had been held up by another summons in Delaware. The article continued that a mass meeting was to take place on October 11, 1954 to whip up opposition to a court test on Tuesday (10/12/54), on re-assigning 11 Negro pupils to the Milford High School.

October 11, 1954, Lincoln, Delaware

The Washington Evening Star on October 12, 1954 published an article captioned, "Delaware Chancellor to Hear Appeal on Milford Race Ban." This article related that a meeting was held on October 11, 1954 at Lincoln, Delaware to have people attend a court session on October 12, 1954 where the State Chancellor was scheduled to hear an appeal by the NAACP to reinstate 11 Negro students who were forced from the school by actions of the NAAWP and other anti-integrationists.

October 12, 1954, Georgetown, Delaware

The Washington Post and Times Herald of October 13, 1954 in an article entitled, "Court Order Requested in Milford Case," set forth that Delaware Attorney General, H. Albert YOUNG, on October 12, 1954, requested from Vice Chancellor WILLIAM MARVEL of Sussex County, Delaware an injunction with which State Authorities could prosecute persons who resist integration. The article related that YOUNG appeared as a "friend of the court" to request that a temporary injunction sought by the NAACP to restrain the Milford School Board from barring Negro students from Milford High School be granted. Further down the article, it was related that BRYANT W. BOWLES, Head of NAAWP was one of over 100 persons assembled outside the courtroom.

Officers of the NAAWP

The Washington Post and Times Herald in a report published October 7, 1954 captioned, "BOWLES of NAAWP Moves Into Anacostia Student Integration Demonstration" set forth the following officers for the organization:

President, BRYANT BOWLES
Secretary Treasurer, Mrs. BRYANT (LOIS) BOWLES

Vice President Emeritus, JOSEPH M. DANES, (the article related that DANES was acting as Vice President Emeritus, because at the time, he was heading the Delaware State Chapter of NAAWP).

Three Directors of NAAWP were also listed as follows:

HENRY FOUNTAINE, Alexandria, Virginia
FRANK FOUNTAINE, Washington, D. C.
EMORY THOMPSON, Arlington, Virginia

The article related that the last three were listed as airplane mechanics. The article pointed out that BENJAMIN F. ROBERTSON was formerly Vice President and PAUL S. ROBERTSON was formerly Treasurer of NAAWP. According to the newspaper article, PAUL ROBERTSON had recently moved back to Georgia.

Confidential Informant [] of known reliability, advised on October 13, 1954 that BENJAMIN P. ROBERTSON on September 27, 1954 had moved from [] Mount Rainier, Maryland to [] Alexandria, Virginia.

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BRYANT W. BOWLES

Confidential Informant [] of known reliability, advised on October 15, 1954 that BRYANT W. BOWLES and his wife, LOIS, presently reside at 5700 North Tenth Road, Arlington, Virginia, Apartment 5.

The Washington Evening Star on October 10, 1954 in an article entitled, "BOWLES Will Accept Delaware Warrant; Called by Tax Agent" set forth the following information as obtained from BOWLES:

"Mr. BOWLES reported his belief that two F.B.I. agents searched his apartment in Arlington, Virginia, yesterday (10/8/54) since the article was dated 10/9/54. BOWLES is quoted as saying, 'I am sure it was them but I don't know it for a fact.'" The article states that BOWLES reported that two men who posed as telephone company workers obtained a key from a neighbor. The article quotes BOWLES as saying "if they will drop into my office I will give them the key anytime they want."

Confidential Informant [] of known reliability, advised on October 15, 1954 that as far as he knew BRYANT W. BOWLES did not have a telephone in his apartment.

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A review of the files of the Metropolitan Police, Washington, D. C. reflects the following traffic arrests for one BRYANT WILLIAM BOWLES, JR., who was born at Alfred, Florida, on March 4, 1920. The file indicates that BOWLES resided as of January 14, 1948 at 2653 Woodley Road, N.W., and as of May 20, 1948 resided at 2310 Ashmead Place, N.W.:

12/5/47-	Speeding 40 miles per hour, elected to forfeit \$15
12/6/47-	Failure to give full time and attention to an accident, elected to forfeit \$15
1/12/48-	Suspended 30 days
1/22/48-	Served
1/30/48-	Suspended
1/28/48-	Served
4/8/48-	Parked left wheel to curb, elected to forfeit \$3
4/26/48-	Failed to set hand brake, elected to forfeit \$5
5/20/48-	Parked in a loading zone, elected to forfeit \$3
6/21/48-	Traffic school, received a grade of 95 per cent
6/21/48-	Restored

This file indicated that BOWLES possessed District of Columbia, Driver's License Permit #669590, issued January 14, 1948, which is now expired. The files indicated that formerly he possessed Florida License #313644.

A check of the Motor Vehicle Traffic Division for the State of Virginia at Richmond, Virginia has failed to indicate that the subject possesses a Driver's License in the State of Virginia.

The following description is set forth for BOWLES in the records of the Metropolitan Police Department, Washington, D. C.:

Date and Place of Birth: March 4, 1920, Alfred, Florida
Height: 6'1"
Weight: 160 pounds
Hair: Black
Eyes: Gray

Confidential Informant [redacted] of known reliability, on October 14, 1954 furnished information concerning JAMES F. FONTAINE; HENRY W. FOUNTAINE and EMORY L. THOMPSON, whom the informant stated were the Directors of the National Association For the Advancement of White People. The informant pointed out that although JAMES F. FONTAINE and HENRY W. FOUNTAINE are brothers they spelled their names differently.

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JAMES FRANKLIN FONTAINE

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Date and Place of Birth: [redacted] Frederick,
Virginia

Present Address: [redacted]
Washington, D. C.

Social Security Number: [redacted] MA
Marital Status: [redacted]
Education: One year High School, Hopewell High,
Hopewell, Virginia, 1920-1929

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Former Addresses:

8/40 to 3/46 [redacted] Baltimore,
Maryland
3/46 to 10/46 [redacted] Washington,
D. C.
No date-12/54 [redacted], Washington, D. C.
1953 [redacted] ^{b7C} Arlington,
Virginia

Relatives: Father, JOHN ALLEN FONTAINE, [redacted]
Road, Richmond Virginia D.C.
Brother, [redacted]
Brother, [redacted]
Brother, [redacted]

Employment:

1937-1940 Culp Welding Company, Silver Spring
Maryland
1940-1941 U. S. Coast Guard Yard
Curtis Bay, Maryland
1941-1945 Bethlehem Steel Company, Baltimore,
Maryland
1946 Engineering Research Corporation,
Riverdale, Maryland
1946 Standard Engineering Company,
Washington, D. C.
1946 to date Capitol Airlines, Alexandria, Virginia,
as a welder

Description:

Height: 5' 9"
Weight: 175 pounds
Hair: Brown
Eyes: Blue
Military Service: None

HEINER FOUNTAINE
MAA W P
HEINER FOUNTAINE
HENRY WOODROW FOUNTAINE

Date and Place of Birth: [REDACTED] D.C.

Caroline County, Virginia

Address: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Alexandria, Virginia b7C

Marital Status: Wife, [REDACTED]

Education: Two years High School, Hopewell High
Hopewell, Virginia, 1926-1936 *HENRY WOODROW FOUNTAINE*

Former Addresses:

No date- [REDACTED]

Washington, D. C.

5/12/38-10/5/45

U.S. Navy

No date- [REDACTED]

Washington, D. C.

No date- [REDACTED]

Arlington, Virginia b7C

Relatives: Father, JOHN ALLEN FOUNTAINE, [REDACTED]

Mother, MARY WILLIS FOUNTAINE, deceased

Employment:

5/17/38 to 10/5/45 U.S. Navy, no serial number listed

10/1/45 to 2/1/46 Naval Research, no place listed

5/17/46 to 10/17/46 Engineering Research, Riverdale,
Maryland

1946 to date Capitol Airlines, Alexandria,
Virginia, as a welder

Description:

Date and Place of Birth: [REDACTED] Caroline
County, Virginia

Height: 5'7½"

Weight: 155 pounds

Hair: Brown

Eyes: Blue

EMORY LEON THOMPSON

EMORY THOMPSON

NAADIP

Date and Place of Birth:

[REDACTED]
Acworth, Georgia

VA

Address:

[REDACTED]
Arlington, Virginia

N.C.

Social Security Number:

Marital Status:

Education:

Single ASN 34832050
1929-1940, Acworth Schools,
Acworth, Georgia
1940-1941, Cass High School,
Cassville, Georgia
11/41 to 1/42, Tennessee
Valley School of Welding,
Atlanta, Georgia b7C

Former Addresses:

1/42 to 6/42

[REDACTED]
Arlington, Virginia
Elizabeth City,
North Carolina
U. S. Army

7/42 to 10/43

11/43 to 11/46

Relatives:

Father, [REDACTED]
Mother, [REDACTED]

NO LCC

Employment:

1/42 to 6/42

7/42 to 10/43

1943 to 1946

1946 to date

Penn-Central Airlines,
Washington, D. C.
Consolidated Vultee
Aircraft Company, Elizabeth
City, North Carolina
U. S. Army

Capitol Airlines,
Alexandria, Virginia, as a
welder

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~Description:Date and Place of Birth:

[redacted] Acworth, Georgia

Height:

5' 9 1/2"

Weight:

140 pounds

Hair:

Light brown

Eyes:

Blue

Military Serial Number:

[redacted]

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Future Activities of Organization in Washington, D.C. Area

Confidential Informant [redacted], of unknown reliability, advised on October 15, 1954 that he has been in recent contact with the NAAWP office but has not heard of any plans for meetings or demonstrations in the Washington, D. C. area.

Confidential Informant [redacted] of known reliability, advised on October 19, 1954 that he was on the mailing list of the NAAWP to receive its publication of the National Forum but to date has not received any issues.

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delivered the letter to the Attorney General and who obtained [] signature on the two documents. This messenger will be interviewed relative to the circumstances as to how and why he obtained [] signature on the two documents as well as any instructions the messenger may have received from the Office of the NAAWP which originated the letter and caused it to be delivered by Western Union messenger.

ACTION:

I will continue to advise you of all developments in this matter.

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[] said that he sent a letter dated October 27, 1954, via Western Union messenger to the Attorney General. According to [], this letter was delivered to the Attorney General on October 28, 1954, and as proof he exhibited a carbon copy of a Western Union receipt signed [] for Attorney General."

[] also exhibited an NAAWP application form on which was typed the name of the applicant "Hon. Herbert C. Brownell." This application form was signed [] for Attorney General." [] stated this application form was returned to him by the Western Union messenger together with the signed receipt. Efforts were made to obtain the signed receipt and the signed application form from [] however, he absolutely refused to surrender these documents.

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[] stated that on November 4, 1954, he together with Bryant W. Bowles, Jr., President of the NAAWP, and [], are departing via automobile for Florida where they plan to contact prominent citizens who have corresponded with the NAAWP. [] advised that one individual who will be contacted is Sheriff Willis McCaul of Lake County, Florida, who is an honorary Vice President of the NAAWP. He declined to identify any other individuals. [] said the purpose of this trip was to arrange through contacts in Florida meetings which will be addressed by representatives of the NAAWP and for the purpose of obtaining additional members. [] also stated that Bryant W. Bowles, Jr., is scheduled to address a group of Negroes in Poughkeepsie, New York, on November 21, 1954. He said Bowles was previously scheduled in October, 1954, to address a meeting of the NAACP in Poughkeepsie, New York; however, this engagement was cancelled by the Headquarters of the NAACP. [] said that the meeting which Bowles is to address on November 21, 1954, is not sponsored by the NAACP; however, it is expected that many members of the NAACP will attend the meeting. It is noted pertinent information concerning the scheduled trip to Florida and New York by officials of the NAAWP was furnished by Bureau airtel dated November 2, 1954, to Miami with copies to New York and Washington Field.

At the conclusion of the interview, [] stated he was willing to furnish the Bureau any information it desired concerning the NAAWP and that he could be contacted